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MINISTERS AND PREACHERS.

Reg.		Rec'd.	Ord'd	Reg.		Rec'd	Ord'd
77	L. W. Bates,	1840	1842	265	S. J. Smith,	1877	1881
79	S. B. Southerland,	1841	1843	270	D. W. Anstine,	1879	1882
86	J. J. Murray,	1842	1845	271	F. C. Klein,	1879	1881
121	David Wilson,	1845	1847	274	J. L. Elderdice,	1880	1883
124	H. J. Day,	1846	1849	275	G. R. McCready,	1880	1883
132	Jesse Shreeve,	1847	1849	278	J. S. Bowers,	1881	1884
140	E. J. Drinkhouse,	1850	1852	279	J. W. Balderston,	1881	1883
142	W. S. Hammond,	1851	1853	280	J. E. Nicholson,	1881	1885
147	C. H. Littleton,	1852	1853	282	J. M. Gill,	1882	1885
149	H. C. Cushing,	1853	1853	284	S. F. Cassen,	1883	1886
155	A. D. Dick,	1854	1856	285	J. H. Daugherty,	1883	1884
159	W. G. Holmes,	1855	1856	281	E. O. Ewing,	1884	Tr.
163	B. F. Benson,	1857	1859	286	E. A. Warfield,	1884	1886
164	W. M. Strayer,	1858	1860	287	J. W. Norris,	1884	1886
167	J. E. Maloy,	1859	1861	292	J. W. Kirk,	1885	1886
168	J. E. T. Ewell,	1859	1860	293	B. W. Kindley,	1885	1887
169	S. A. Hoblitzell,	1859	1860	294	H. L. Elderdice,	1885	1885
173	J. L. Mills,	1860	1862	296	F. T. Benson,	1886	1887
180	J. W. Gray,	1861	1863	297	L. R. Dyott,	1886	1887
182	J. B. Jones,	1861	1862	298	Elmer Simpson,	1886	1887
190	J. D. Kinzer,	1863	1865	299	J. F. Wooden,	1886	1889
192	W. D. Litsinger,	1863	1865	300	B. F. Jester,	1886	1886
198	R. S. Rowe,	1865	1865	301	G. D. Edmondston,	1886	1888
200	J. M. Holmes,	1865	1867	302	B. P. Truitt,	1887	1889
204	A. W. Mather,	1866	1868	304	E. H. Van Dyke,	1887	1889
206	J. T. Lassell,	1866	1866	305	G. W. Haddaway,	1888	1890
209	D. L. Greenfield,	1868	1870	308	H. W. D. Johnson,	1888	1891
218	J. L. Straughn,	1870	1872	309	J. H. S. Ewell	1889	1891
225	F. T. Tagg,	1870	1871	310	G. R. Hodge,	1889	1891
226	W. A. Crouse,	1870	1870	312	W. S. Phillips,	1889	1892
228	W. J. Neepier,	1871	1873	314	C. E. McCullough,	1889	1891
230	A. A. Harryman,	1871	1873	315	W. M. Poisal,	1889	1864
231	W. J. Floyd,	1871	1871	316	H. S. Johnson,	1890	1892
232	J. G. Sullivan,	1871	1873	321	Robt. K. Lewis,	1891	1893
236	A. D. Melvin	1872	1874	322	L. F. Warner,	1891	1893
237	F. T. Little,	1872	1873	323	J. W. Parris,	1891	1891
238	S. B. Tredway	1872	1874	324	Avery Donovan,	1891	1892
239	T. O. Crouse,	1872	1874	325	S. W. Coe,	1891	Tr.
240	J. M. Yingling,	1873	1875	326	Dorsey Blake,	1892	1893
241	W. R. Graham,	1873	1874	327	L. A. Bennett,	1892	1892
242	W. J. D. Lucas,	1873	1876	328	C. M. Cullum,	1892	1893
244	G. F. Farring,	1873	1876	329	G. R. Donaldson,	1892	1895
245	F. H. Mullineaux,	1873	1876	330	E. S. Fooks,	1892	1894
246	J. A. Weigand,	1874	1876	331	Alonzo Green,	1892	1894
249	G. Q. Bacchus,	1874	1877	333	F. H. Lewis,	1892	1893
252	W. W. White,	1875	1878	334	C. K. McCaslin,	1892	1893
253	C. S. Arnett,	1875	1878	336	L. Randall,	1892	1894
254	J. M. Sheridan,	1875	1877	337	E. B. Taylor,	1892	1894
258	G. J. Smith,	1876	Tr.	338	J. A. Wright,	1892	1892
261	T. H. Lewis,	1876	1876	339	Geo. M. Clayton,	1893	1896
262	J. W. Trout,	1876	1879	340	J. McLain Brown,	1893	1894

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341	Geo. W. Hines,	1893	1896	365	Nicholas O. Gibson,	1896	1898
342	W. B. Judefind,	1893	1896	366	Edward D. Stone,	1896	1898
343	Eug. C. Makosky,	1893	1895	367	Wm. A. Melvin,	1897	1898
344	Chas. P. Nowlin,	1893	1895	368	G. H. Stocksdale,	1896	1899
345	Thos. P. Revelle,	1893	1895	369	C. L. Daugherty,	1897	1899
346	George L. Wolfe,	1893	1895	370	W. O. Livingstone,	1897	1899
347	A. S. Beane,	1893	1891	371	Edgar T. Read,	1897	1899
348	George J. Hill,	1894	1894	372	J. L. Ward,	1897	1899
349	W. H. Litsinger,	1894	1896	373	A. A. Bichell,	1898	1899
350	Henry E. Nelson,	1894	1896	374	J. M. Dickey,	1898	1900
351	Emanuel Pearce,	1894	1896	375	Henry Clay Hall,	1899	.....
353	T. H. Wright,	1895	1896	376	Chas. Melvin Zepp,	1899	1900
354	H. L. Schlincke,	1895	1897	377	Benjamin F. Ruley,	1899	1900
355	F. L. Stevens,	1895	1897	378	Hammond S. Leas,	1899	1900
356	Chas. F. Dryden,	1895	1897	379	Thos. R. Woodford,	1899	1900
357	A. Norman Ward,	1895	1897	380	Geo. Edwin Brown,	1899	.....
358	John F. Bryan,	1896	1897	381	Edward P. Perry,	1900	.....
359	Frank A. Holland,	1896	1897	382	W. R. Sherwood,	1900	.....
360	H. E. Bennington,	1896	1896	383	Fred'k J. Phillips,	1900	.....
361	Herbert F. Wright,	1896	1897	384	E. H. Jones,	1900	.....
362	Frank S. Cain,	1895	1898	385	C. M. Compher,	1900	.....
363	George A. Morris,	1895	1898	386	James L. Nichols,	1900	.....
364	Howard O. Keen,	1895	1898				

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Wye	Jas. H. Dodd.

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Amelia	Horace G. Cowan	
Baltimore		R. F. Caples, O E. Morris.
Bethany		Edgar Smith.
Broadway		W. S. Simms. Samuel W. James. W. J. Glenn.
Central	George W. Honey Oliver Cox	
Chesapeake		Prof. A. L. Judefind.
Campbell	P. Peerman	J. W. Mason.

CHARGES.	MINISTERS.	PREACHERS.
Christ Church		Abraham Griffith.
Clayton		E. Shaw.
Conquest		Fuller Taylor.
Crumpton		John M. Robinson.
Deer Creek		James M. Delenett.
Delta		T. J. Bennington.
Denton		
Dover		Mahoney Denning.
East Baltimore		S. H. Green.
Fairfax	E. W. Wakefield	
Fawn Grove		George W. Devilbiss.
Felton		James H. Price.
Franklin City		Warren Young.
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Hampden		Isaac S. Crothers. Isaac Ford. J. F. Morris.
Holly Run		George Phelps.
Kemptown	G. F. Kindley	Roby F. Day.
Kent Island		Claiborne Phillips.
Lewiston		C. C. Baker.
Mardela		Isaac J. Kennerly.
Millville		A. E. Betts. James P. Dukes.
Milton		J. W. Reed.
Mt. Tabor		W. F. Carlisle.
Newark		R. B. Hewitt. H. H. Price.
Nichols Memorial		Philip Crosby.
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N. C. Avenue	R. S. Lawrenson	
Oak Grove	John Wade	
Oxford,		James L. Nichols.
Pocomoke Circuit	J. H. McGrath	
Pocomoke City	Wm. Dale	
Potomac		Horatio Ball. J. McNair.
Powellville		S. H. Tilghman. Marcellus Dennis.
Prince George	C. P. Goodrich	
Queen Anne		Casper Clough.
Reliance		
Remington		J. W. Swam.
Salem		J. H. Fontaine.
Snow Hill		A. P. Bowen.
South Baltimore	G. W. Jester	
Starr		M. Wade Sorden. James H. Robinson.
Stewartstown		S. J. McConnell.
St. John's (Canton)		John T. Chase.
St. Luke's	J. W. Klein	Joseph Richardson.

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Sussex		Wm. H. Rodney.
Union		F. J. Phillips. John T. Bailey.
Waverly		J. S. Wheeler.
West Baltimore	A. H. Greenfield	A. A. Richards. W. M. Jett.
Westminster		Charles Billingslea. W. F. Ritz. Edgar Sexsmith.
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14. MISSIONS—L. R. Dyott, W. S. Phillips, F. H. Lewis, J. G. Sheppard, A. E. Tull, E. J. Blain.

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20. PUBLICATION OF MINUTES—Secretary of Conference, F. T. Tagg, F. T. Little.

21. TRANSPORTATION—F. T. Little.

22. CHURCH ENTERPRISE—J. L. Straughn, W. J. Floyd, S. F. Cassen, J. D. Cathell, J. M. Macklem, W. H. Ross.

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On Lynchburg College—J. W. Hering, J. R. Caton, E. A. Warfield, F. W. Whittaker.

To Confer With Committees From Other Denominations on Sabbath Desecrations—W. S. Hammond.

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To Consider Report of Baltimore City Church Extension Society—J. D. Kinzer, L. F. Warner, W. G. Baker.

To Consider Paper Offered by the President—J. W. Trout, H. L. Elderdice, W. B. Usilton.

To Consider Resolution of D. W. Anstine in regard to Superannuate Fund—J. S. Bowers, F. T. Little, H. C. Roberts.

To Consider Resolution of J. B. Jones Concerning Methodist Protestantism in Philadelphia—T. H. Lewis, J. B. Jones, L. R. Dyott, R. S. Griffith, Gavin Spence.

To Assess $200 upon the District for General Conference Expenses—F. T. Tagg, J. W. Balderston, W. E. Sheppard.

On Resolution of T. H. Lewis providing for Sustentation Fund—J. L. Mills, T. O. Crouse, W. R. Graham, G. H. Erdman, T. W. Mather.

To push Claim of Mt. Olivet Church before Congress—A. D. Melvin, Daniel Baker, J. N. Warfield.

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F. T. Tagg,	W. M. Strayer,	

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Daniel Baker,	Samuel Vannort,	

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MINISTERS.

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S. B. Tredway,	J. L. Mills,	

LAYMEN.

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John Mason,	E. B. Fenby, M.D.,	

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English Grammar.
Conference Official Reports.
W. M. STRAYER—*Smith's Smaller Scripture History.*
J. L. MILLS—*Miller's Clerical Habits and Manners.*
Merrill's Doctrinal Aspects of Christian Experience.
S. B. SOUTHERLAND—*Constitution and Discipline of the M.P. Church.*
D. L. GREENFIELD—*A written Sermon submitted February 1st.*
Students—

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T. H. LEWIS—*Fisher's Manual of Christian Evidences.*
Miley's Theology, Vol. I to page 155.
D. L. GREENFIELD—*Broadus Preparation and Delivery of Sermons.*
A written Sermon submitted February 1st.
J. M. HOLMES—*Nicholls' Help to the Study of the Bible.*
J. W. GRAY—*Drinkhouse's History of Methodist Reform, Vol. I.*
Students—G. E. Brown, C. M. Compher, H. C. Hall, George J. Hooker, James L. Nichols, Frederick Phillips, Richard Shipley, E. P. Perry in Theology, E. H. Jones, C. J. Burdette.

SECOND YEAR'S CLASS.

H. C. CUSHING—*Miley's Theology, Vol. I, page 155 to end.*
S. B. TREDWAY—*Barrow's Sacred Geography and Antiquities.*
W. M. STRAYER—*Fisher's Church History.* (*Complete.*)
J. E. MALOY—*Drinkhouse's History of Methodist Reform, Vol. II.*
D. L. GREENFIELD—*A written Sermon submitted February 1st.*
Students—H. S. Leas, B. F. Ruley, E. P. Perry, W. N. Sherwood, T. R. Woodford, C. M. Zepp.

THIRD YEAR'S CLASS.

B. F. BENSON—*Miley's Theology, Vol. II.*
J. S. BOWERS—*Foster's Supernatural Book.*
A. W. MATHER—*Miller's Christian Ministry.*
The following books are to be read by the class and a written syllabus presented to the examiners at the time indicated.

B. F. BENSON—*Vincent's Modern Sunday school, submitted August 1st.*
J. S. BOWERS—*Peck's The Revvial and the Pastor, submitted November 1st.*
A. W. MATHER—*Buckley's Theory and Practice of Extemporaneous Preaching, submitted February 1st.*
Students—A. A. Bichell, J. M. Dickey.

GRADUATES OF THE SEMINARY.

T. H. LEWIS—*Hebrew: Psalms 42-49, 84, 85, 87.*
J. J. MURRAY—*Greek: 1st and 14th Chapters of St. John's Gospel.*

Every Student is required to attend this Lecture and Examination, and also to answer the question: "Have you spent a portion of each day in private study of the Word and in prayer?"

All the Students of the Preparatory Year shall be examined in all the studies of that year for admission on trial; but afterwards, graduates from Westminster Theological Seminary shall be examined each year only in Theology, Hebrew and Greek.

The Faculty meets Tuesday before Conference at 10 A.M. to examine Students, and at 7.30 P.M. for business.

Correct answers to two-thirds of the questions asked will be required to pass a candidate either for reception on trial or into any class of the course or for orders. Two-thirds will be marked 70. All questions answered, or less three, will be marked 100, and all receiving 100 will be reported to the Conference.

S. B. SOUTHERLAND, *President.*

J. L. MILLS, *Secretary.*

DEAD ROLL.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give to me at that day." 2 Tim. iv. 7, 8.

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1. CHARLES RIGBY. Born in Talbot county, Md., 1782; died in Kent county, Md., August 12, 1830. Appointments: 1829-30, Missionary for the Eastern Shore.

2. JOSEPH SCULL. Born 1785; died at Easton, Md., Dec. 22, 1830. Appointments: 1829-30, Missionary for the Eastern Shore.

3. WASHINGTON HAMILTON HAYS. Died April, 1831. Appointment: 1830, Anne Arundel (A).

4. WILLIAM BAMBER. Died March 30, 1832. Appointment: 1831, Eastern Shore.

5. CHARLES WESLEY JACOBS. Born at Alexandria, Va., Oct. 28, 1812; died at Easton, Md., July 20, 1833. Appointments: 1829-30, Eastern Shore (A.); 1831, Deer Creek (A.); 1832, Pipe Creek (A.); 1833, Talbot.

6. JAMES HANSON. Died August 19, 1834. Appointments: 1829, Mt. Olivet (A.); 1830, Pipe Creek (A.); 1831, Reisterstown; 1832, Anne Arundel; 1833, Kent; 1834, no appointment at his request.

7. WILLIAM KELSEY. Died Sept. 23, 1841. Appointments: 1830, Deer Creek; 1831, Anne Arnndel; 1832, Reisterstown; 1833, Tabernacle; 1834, Reisterstown; 1835, Mt. Olivet; 1836, Queen Anne's; 1837, Agent of Book Concern; 1838, Prince William; 1839-40, Kent; 1841, Buttonwood, Phila.

8. ISAAC WEBSTER CLIPPINGER. Died at Cumberland, Md., May 25, 1842. Appointment: 1842, Cumberland (A.).

9. SAMUEL L. RAWLEIGH. Died Nov. 23, 1843. Appointments: 1834-35, Queen Anne's; 1836-8, Kent; 1839, Buttonwood, Phila.; 1840-1, Queen Anne's; 1842, Cecil; 1843, Pipe Creek (A.).

10. DANIEL DAVIES, M.D. Died Feb. 16, 1844. Appointments: 1833, Mt. Olive; 1834, Anne Arundel; 1835, Queen Anne's (A.); 1836, no appointment at his request; 1837, Editor METHODIST PROTESTANT; 1838, Charleston, S. C ; 1839, Anne Arundel; 1840, with the President; 1841, First Church, Phila. (A.); 1842-3, superannuated.

11. WILLIAM W. MADDUX. Died July 9, 1844. Appointments: 1838, Caroline; 1839, Northampton; 1840, New Leeds; 1841, Cecil; 1842, Dorchester; 1843-4, Deer Creek.

12. WILLIAM W. BALL. Died at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., Oct. 5, 1844. Appointments: 1842, Alexandria; 1843 4, Harper's Ferry.

13. WILLIAM H. BORDLEY. Born at Centreville, Md.; died at Charleston, S. C., Oct. 9, 1846. A.B., Washington College, 1822. Appointments: 1843, Queen Anne's (A.); 1844, Kent; 1845, E. Baltimore.

14. SAMUEL D. NORWOOD. Born in Anne Arundel county, Md., March 1, 1820; died in Newcastle county, Del., Oct. 22, 1847. Appointments: 1844, Anne Arundel (A.); 1845, Smyrna; 1846, no appointment at his request; 1847, Deer Creek (A.).

15. ISAAC WEBSTER. Born in Harford county, Md., 1787; died in Westminster, Md., Feb. 4, 1851. Appointments: 1829-30, Reisterstown; 1831, Deer Creek; 1832-3, Pipe Creek; 1834-5, Williamsport; 1836-8, President; 1839, Queen Anne's; 1840, St. John's; 1841-3, Kent; 1844, Brickmaker's, 1845, no appointment at his request; 1844-6, Baltimore; 1847-8, Howard; 1849-50, superannuated. Representative to General Conference, 1830, 1846.

16. LEVI ROGERS REESE. Born February 8, 1806; died at Philadelphia, Pa., September 18, 1851. Interred at Baltimore Cemetery, Baltimore. Appointments: 1832-3, Alexandria; 1834-5, St. John's; 1836-7, Washington; 1838, Conference Missionary; 1839, Alexandria; 1840-1, Georgetown, D. C.; 1842, Pipe Creek; 1843-4, President; 1845-6, West Baltimore; 1847-8, Ninth Street; 1849, Cambridge; 1850-1, Bethlehem, Philadelphia. Secretary of Annual Conference, 1833. Representative to General Conference 1846, 1850 and President. Chaplain to U. S. House of Representatives, 1836-37.

17. FREDERICK STIER. Born 1783; died at Fremont, O., October 15 1851. Appointments: 1830-1, Pipe Creek; 1832, Georgetown, D. C.; 1833, East Baltimore; 1834, unstationed; 1839, Conference Missionary; 1840 Williamsport, Md.; 1841-2, Conference Missionary; 1843-5, no appointment at his request; 1846, Conference Missionary; 1847-50, no appointment at his request; 1851, Conference Missionary. Representative to General Conference, 1842. Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Missions, 1850.

18. RICHARD ADKINSON. Born in 1817; died at Easton, Md., March 9, 1851. Interred at Easton, Md. Appointments: 1841, Cecil (A.); 1842, Cumberland; 1843, Sussex; 1844, no appointment at his request; 1845, Alleghany; 1846-7, Jefferson; 1848-9, Sussex; 1850, Talbot; 1851, Caroline.

19. LEVIN A. COLLINS. Born 1814; died at Laurel, Del., June 17, 1853. Interred at Laurel, Del. Appointments: 1837, Deer Creek (A.); 1838, Kent (A.); 1839-40; Sussex; 1841-2, Snow Hill; 1843-4, Cambridge; 1845-6, no appointment at his request; 1847, Caroline; 1848, no appointment at his request; 1849, superannuated.

20. JOHN SMITH REESE, M.D. Washington University, Baltimore, Md. Born April 7, 1790; died near Baltimore, Md., February 14, 1855. Interred at Greenmount, Baltimore. Appointments: 1829, Eastern Shore; 1830 1, Alexandria; 1832, Eastern Shore; 1833-5, President; 1836-7, Pipe Creek; 1838, Williamsport; 1839-40, President; 1841, Pipe Creek; 1842, Georgetown; 1843, Pipe Creek; 1844, Howard; 1845-6, Alexandria; 1847, no appointment at his request; 1848-9, East Baltimore; 1850-1, no appointment at his request; 1852-4, President. Representative to General Conference, 1830, 1834, 1842, 1846, 1854.

21. FRANCIS GEORGE WRIGHT. Born at Uniontown, Md., July 15, 1823; died at Salisbury, Md., February 23, 1859. Interred at Uniontown, Md. Appointments: 1849, Baltimore (A.); 1850-1, Carlisle; 1852, unstationed; 1858, Union.

22. NEVELL STEELE GREENAWAY. Born in England, May 7, 1824; died at Alexandria, Va., May 2, 1861. Interred at Alexandria, Va. Appointments: 1852-3, Snow Hill; 1854, Williamsport (A.); 1855, Williamsport; 1856, Pipe Creek (A); 1857, Philadelphia; 1858, Baltimore (A.); 1859, Alexandria; 1860, superannuated.

23. WILLIAM TURBERT WRIGHT. Born in Queen Anne's county, Md., May 18, 1808; died at Lisbon, Md., May 8, 1862. Interred at Greenmount, Baltimore. Appointments: 1845, Snow Hill; 1846-7, Sussex; 1848-9, Kent; 1850-1, East Baltimore; 1852-3, Charleston, S. C.; 1854-5, Caroline; 1856-7, Talbot; 1858-60, Frederick; 1861-2, Howard.

24. WASHINGTON ROBY. Born in Montgomery county, Md., October 14, 1816; died at Washington, D. C , July 31, 1862. Appointments: 1839, Harper's Ferry; 1840, Williamsport (A.); 1841, Talbot; 1842, Harper's Ferry; 1843-4, Alexandria; 1845-7, Kent; 1848-9, Pipe Creek (A.); 1850-1, Deer Creek; 1852, Queen Anne's; 1853-5, Talbot; 1856-7, East Baltimore; 1858-9, President; 1860, Georgetown; 1862, Ninth Street. Representative to General Conference 1854, 1862.

25. THOROUGHGOOD C. EWELL. Born June 16, 1832; died at Federalsburg, Md., November 21, 1862. Appointments: 1856, New Market (A.); 1857, Trough Creek; 1858-9, Dorchester; 1860-1, Sussex; 1862, superannuated. 30

26. JOSIAH VARDEN. Born at Washington, D. C., July 25, 1806; died at Libertytown, Md., January 16, 1863. Interred at West Baltimore Cemetery. Appointments: 1831, Eastern Shore (A.); 1832, Mt. Olive; 1833, Williamsport (A.); 1834, Pipe Creek; 1835, Tabernacle; 1836, Georgetown; 1837, Alexandria; 1838, Westminster; 1839, Talbot; 1840-1. East Baltimore; 1842, St. John; 1843-4, West Baltimore; 1845-6, Georgetown; 1847, West Baltimore; 1848-9, President; 1850-2, Sixth Street, Cincinnati; 1853, superannuated. Representative to General Conference, 1846, 1850, 1854, 1858. 47

27. GEORGE D. HAMILTON. Born August 28, 1798, died at Baltimore, Md., April 5, 1864. Buried at Greenmount, Baltimore. Appointments: 1831, Shippensburg; 1832, Deer Creek (A.); 1833, Snow Hill; 1834-6, Dorchester; 1837-8, Queen Anne's; 1839, Pipe Creek (A.); 1840, Pipe Creek; 1841-2; Sussex; 1843, Snow Hill; 1844-5, Baltimore; 1846-7, New Market; 1848-50, Caroline; 1851-2, Cambridge; 1853, Williamsport; 1854-8, superannuated; 1859, Clearfield; 1860-2, Union, Pa.; 1863-4, superannuated. 66

28. REUBEN TYLER BOYD. Born at Rockville, Md., July 3, 1794; died at Clarksburg, Md., February 21, 1865. Appointments: 1833, Shippensburg; 1834, Prince William; 1835, New Market; 1836-7, Snow Hill; 1838, Dorchester; 1839, New Leeds; 1840, transferred; 1849, Trough Creek; 1850-1, Alleghany; 1852 3, Caroline; 1854, Anne Arundel; 1855, Dorchester; 1856, superannuated; 1857, Warwick; 1858, Accomac; 1859-64, superannuated. 70 65

29. THOMAS HART BENTON AUSTIN. Born at Baltimore, Md., 1842; died at Baltimore, June 26, 1865. Appointments: 1863, Union (A.); 1864, Kent (A.); 1865, Howard (A.)

30. JAMES FRANCIS WHITESIDE. Born at Triadelphia, Md., July 1, 1828; died June 20, 1866. Interred at Stewartstown, Pa. Appointments, 1850, Baltimore (A.); 1851, New Market (A.); 1852, Union (A.); 1853-4, Trough Creek; 1855-7, Alleghany; 1858 60, Cecil; 1861 Baltimore; 1862-3, West Baltimore Circuit; 1864-6, New Market.

31. ELI HENKLE. Born in Pendleton county, Va., April 15, 1787; died in Baltimore county, Md., August 24, 1867. Appointments: 1829, Deer Creek; 1830-2, President; 1833, St. John's; 1834, superannuated; 1835, supernumerary; 1836-7, Anne Arundel; 1838-9, Pipe Creek; 1840, Baltimore; 1841-2, supernumerary; 1843, Westminster; 1844, Conference Missionary; 1845-7, President; 1848 50, Baltimore; 1851-67, superannuated. Representative to General Conference, 1830, 1834, 1846. 64

32. FRANCIS WATERS. A. B., Pennsylvania University; D. D. Washington College, 1822. Born in Somerset county, Md., January 16, 1792; died at Baltimore, Md., April 23, 1868. Appointments: 1838, Franklin; 1839, supernumerary; 1840, unstationed; 1841-6, supernumerary; 1847, Central Baltimore; 1848-50, Franklin; 1851-67, supernumerary. Author of name: "Methodist Protestant Church." Representative to General Conference 1830; President, 1842, 1846, 1862, 1866.

33. THOMAS H. BURGESS. Born February 12, 1828; died July 11, 1868. Appointments: 1861, Harmony; 1862, no appointment at his request; 1863, unstationed; 1867, Millsborough; 1868, Snow Hill.

34. THOMAS MAHLON WILSON. Born at Hagerstown, Md., March 1, 1814; died at Libertytown, Md., February 1, 1870. Interred at Central Chapel, Frederick county, Md Appointments: 1842, Trough Creek (A.); 1843, supernumerary; 1844-5, Concord; 1846-8, Queen Anne's; 1849-50, Alexandria; 1851-2, Union; 1853-4, Pipe Creek; 1855-7, Frederick; 1858-69, superannuated.

35. LUTHER J. COX. Born in Queen Anne's county, Md., December 27, 1791; died, July 26, 1870. 1869, elected to honorary membership. Representative (lay) to General Conference, 1838, 1866.

36. CHRISTIAN EVERSOLE. Born in Berkeley county, W. Va., May 6, 1820; died at Baltimore, Md., December 12, 1870. Interred at Little Georgetown, W. Va. Appointments: 1852, Alleghany (A.); 1853, Baltimore (A.); 1854, Deer Creek (A.); 1855, Kent (A.); 1856, Frederick (A.); 1857, Newtown (A.); 1858-9, Cambridge; 1860-2, Concord; 1863-4, Bedford; 1865, Williamsport; 1866-70, superannuated.

37. DANIEL BOWERS. Born in Frederick county, Md., March 16, 1832; died at Baltimore, Md., March 19, 1871. Interred at Chestertown, Md. Appointments: 1854, Kent (A.); 1855, Queen Anne's (A.); 1856-7, Cumberland; 1858, Talbot (A.); 1859-60, Philadelphia; 1861-3, Newtown; 1864-5, Georgetown; 1866-9, East Baltimore; 1870, Chatsworth. Secretary of Annual Conference, 1863. Alternate attending General Conference, 1867. On Editorial Committee of METHODIST PROTESTANT, 1866-9.

38. JOHN MORGAN. Born in Alexandria, Va., April 15, 1811; died at Montgomery, Ala., June 17, 1871. Appointments: 1844, Williamsport (A.); 1845-6, Williamsport; 1847-8, Pipe Creek; 1849-50, Howard; 1851-2, Talbot; 1853-4, Union; 1855-6, Snow Hill; 1857, superannuated. Secretary of Annual Conference, 1852-4.

39. HENRY HAYGHE. Born at Baltimore, Md., January 5, 1844; died at Kennedyville, Md., December 17, 1871. Appointments: 1869, Howard (A.); 1870, Baltimore (A.); 1871, Kennedyville.

40. JOHN ELDERDICE. Born in Frederick county, Md., July 14, 1814; died at Baltimore, Md., July 9, 1874. 1838, Cumberland; 1839, Baltimore; 1840-1, Anne Arundel (A.); 1842, Pipe Creek (A.); 1843-5, New Market; 1846, Carlisle; 1847-9, Deer Creek; 1850-1, Williamsport; 1852-3, Anne Arundel; 1854-6, Cecil; 1857-9, New Market; 1860, West Baltimore Circuit; 1861-2, Caroline; 1863-4, Cecil; 1865-6, Bedford; 1867-8, Cambridge; 1869, no appointment at his request; 1870-4, superannuated. Author of "Uncle Toby" letters to METHODIST PROTESTANT.

41. JOHN ROBERTS. Born May 3, 1818; died at Baltimore, Md., September 20, 1875. Interred at Oak Grove Cemetery, Howard county, Md. 1843, Cambridge (A.); 1844, Alleghany (A.); 1845, Accomac (A.); 1846, Snow Hill; 1847-8, Harper's Ferry; 1849-50, Howard (A.); 1851, Pipe Creek (A.); 1852-3, Bethlehem; 1854-5, Kent; 1856, Williamsport; 1857-8, Alexandria; 1859, South Baltimore; 1860-2, Queen Anne's; 1863-4, Talbot; 1865-7, Frederick; 1868-70, Howard; 1871-3, Belair; 1874-5, Liberty. Secretary of Annual Conference 1850. Representative to General Conference 1866, 1867, 1870.

42. AMON RICHARDS. Born October 31, 1787; died July 12, 1876. 1870 elected to honorary membership.

43. ABRAHAM S. EVERSOLE, M.D. Born in Berkeley county, Va., July 10, 1813; died at Seaford, Del., February 3, 1877. 1839, Trough Creek;

1840, Caroline; 1841, Snow Hill (A.); 1842, Somerset; 1843, Lewes; 1844-5, Kent (A.); 1846, Prince William; 1847, transferred; 1851-2, Dorchester; 1853-4, Newton; 1855-7, Union; 1858, Alleghany; 1859-60, Baltimore; 1861, Frederick (A.); 1862-3, New Market; 1864, Sussex; 1865, Caroline; 1866-7, Worcester; 1868, Delaware; 1869-71, Cecil; 1872, Peach Bottom; 1873, Seaford (A.); 1874-6, superannuated.

44. DANIEL EVANS REESE. D. D., Western Maryland College, 1868. Born at Baltimore, Md., February 17, 1810; died at St. Michael's, Md., April 23, 1877. 1830, Deer Creek (A.); 1831, Mount Olive; 1832, Eastern Shore (A.); 1833, Prince William; 1834, Tabernacle; 1835-6, Deer Creek; 1837, Harper's Ferry; 1838, Anne Arundel; 1839-41, unstationed; 1842-3, East Baltimore; 1844, Georgetown; 1845-6, Deer Creek; 1847-8, Cambridge; 1849 50, Pipe Creek; 1851-2, Alexandria; 1853-4, Ninth-Street; 1855, Salem, Phila.; 1856-7, Charleston, S. C.; 1858-59, West Baltimore; 1860-1, Pipe Creek; 1862-3, Georgetown; 1864-5, Jefferson; 1866-7, Ninth-Street; 1868-70, Talbot; 1871-3, President; 1874, East Baltimore; 1875, superannuated. Secretary of Annual Conference, 1835. Representative to General Conference, 1862. Secretary, 1867, 1870. 65

45. SAMUEL GUEST VALIANT. Born in Talbot county, Md., Decem- 21, 1852; died there July 11, 1877. 1870 1, Kent (A.); 1872, no appointment at his request; 1873, Alexandria; 1874, no appointment at his request; 1875-6, Laurel; 1877, superannuated. 25

46. WILLIAM C. AMES, D. D. S. Born in Clearfield county, Pa., 1839; died at Burrsville, Md., March 10, 1878. Interred at Burrsville, Md. 1869, Jefferson (A.); 1870-1, Potomac; 1872-3, Concord; 1874-6, Whaleyville; 1877, Caroline.

47. JOHN EDGAR READ. Born at Lauraville, Md., August 25, 1846; died at Oxford, Md., July 28, 1878. 1865, Queen Anne's (A.); 1866, Belair (A.); 1867, Jefferson (A.); 1868, Talbot (A.); 1869-71, Lexington-Street; 1872, Talbot (A.); 1873-6, Talbot; 1877-8, Easton.

48. THOMAS M. BRYAN. Born in Cecil county, Md., February 1, 1818; died at St. Michaels, Md., May 11, 1879. 1846, Smyrna; 1847, Potomac; 1848, Clearfield; 1849, no appointment at his request; 1850, Accomac; 1851-2, Newtown; 1853-4, Dorchester; 1855-6, superannuated; 1857-8, Sussex; 1859-60, no appointment at his request; 1861-3, superannuated; 1864-65, West Baltimore Circuit; 1866, superannuated. 48

49. WILLIAM CORRIE LIPSCOMB. Born in King William's county, Va., September 13, 1792; died at Washington, D. C., December 2, 1879. 1869, elected to honorary membership. Representative (lay) to General Conference, 1830; and Secretary 1834, 1838, 1842, 1850, 1858; and President, 1867.

50. THOMAS ASBURY MOORE. Born in Sussex county, Del., January 14, 1824; died at Seaford, Del., July 2, 1881. 1845, Newtown (A.); 1846, Cambridge (A.); 1847, Talbot (A.); 1848, Union (A.); 1849 53, unstationed; 1854, Sussex (A.); 1855-6, Sussex; 1857-8, supernumerary; 1859, Sussex; 1860, supernumerary.

51. DAVID NORWOOD GILBERT. Born in Harford county, Md., February 10, 1851; died at Kent Island, Md., August 15, 1881. Interred at Wesley Chapel, Harford county, Md. 1873, Queen Anne's (A.); 1874, Cecil (A.); 1875, Anne Arundel (A.); 1876, Pocomoke 1877, Prince William; 1878-80, Quantico; 1881, Kent Island.

52. ISAAC TUNNELL ADKINS. Born February 1, 1809; died in Sussex county, Del., October 19, 1881. 1865, Millsborough; 1866, no appointment at his request; 1867, Tyaskin; 1868, Milton; 1869-70, Lower Sussex; 1871-2, Heathsville; 1873-5, Accomac; 1876, Chincoteague; 1877, Potomac; 1878-9, Chincoteague; 1880, superannuated. 71

53. THOMAS LEE. Born in England, June 17, 1821; died at Rainsburg, Pa., July 16 1882. 1851, Accomac; 1852, Salem; 1853-4, Alleghany; 1855, no appointment at his request; 1856-7, Reading; 1858-9, Caroline; 1860-2, Bedford; 1863-5, superannuated; 1866-7, Susquehanna; 1868, superannuated.

54. PETER LIGHT WILSON. Born in Berkeley county, Va., October 20, 1822; died at Johnsville, Md., January 10, 1883. 1842, Pipe Creek (A.); 1843-4, Cumberland; 1845, Pipe Creek (A.); 1846, Frederick; 1847, West Baltimore (A.); 1848-9, Bethlehem; 1850-1, Cumberland; 1852-4, Frederick; 1855-6, Ninth Street; 1857-9, Jefferson; 1860-1, Ninth Street; 1862-4, Pipe Creek; 1865 8, Broadway; 1869-73, College Agent; 1874, supernumerary; 1875-6, College Agent; 1877, supernumerary. Representative to General Conference, 1866, 1867.

55. THOMAS MCCORMICK. Born in Loudon county, Va., January 5, 1792; died at Baltimore, Md., February 22, 1883; 1869, elected to honorary membership.

56. CHARLES THEODORE COCHEL. Born in Berks county, Pa., June 20, 1838; died at Deer Park, Md., July 25, 1884. 1859, Howard (A.); 1860, Newton (A.); 1861, Harper's Ferry; 1862, Frederick City; 1863, Anne Arundel (A.); 1864, Salem, Philadelphia; 1865, Snow Hill; 1866, West Baltimore Circuit; 1867, Finksburg; 1868-70, Susquehanna; 1871, Union; 1872-3, Dorchester; 1874-7, Frederick; 1878 81, Cecil; 1882-3, Pipe Creek; 1884, First Church, Washington.

57. JAMES MARTIN ELDERDICE. Born in Frederick county, Md., Oct. 14, 1817; died at Barren Creek Springs, Md., Oct. 5, 1884. 1840, Baltimore (A.); 1841, Williamsport (A.); 1842, Talbot; 1843, no appointment at his request; 1844, Howard (A.); 1845 6, Cecil; 1847-8, Liberty; 1849-50, Concord; 1851 2, New Market; 1853-4, Williamsport (A.); 1854-6, Concord; 1857, Snow Hill; 1858-9, Trough Creek; 1860-2, Carlisle; 1863-4, Anne Arundel; 1865-8, Cecil; 1869-70, Sussex; 1871, Seaford; 1872-4, Leipsic; 1875-8, Bedford; 1879, Williamsport; 1880-1, Caroline; 1882-3, Sussex; 1884, Union.

58. ARTHUR DANIEL MURRAY. Born at Georgetown, D. C., Nov. 19, 1856; died at Baltimore, Md., Nov. 17, 1884. 1879, Eutaw; 1880, Frederick (A.); 1881-2, Broadway; 1883, no appointment at his request; 1884, Georgetown (A.).

59. HENRY EDWARD MISKIMON. Born in Harford county, Md., April 15, 1845; died at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., Feb. 12, 1885. Interred at Harper's Ferry, W. Va. 1866, Newtown (A.); 1867, Talbot (A.); 1868-70, Kennedyville; 1871-4, Harper's Ferry; 1875-6, Ellicott City; 1877-8, Salisbury; 1879-80, Seaford; 1881-4, Heathsville.

60. JOSEPH ALEXANDER MCFADEN. Born in Augusta, Ga., January 11, 1825; died at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., July 5, 1885. Interred at Harper's Ferry, W. Va. Appointments: 1847, Queen Anne's (A.); 1848, Williamsport (A.); 1849, Kent (A.); 1850, Jefferson; 1851 2, Concord; 1853, Brickmaker's; 1854-5, Pipe Creek (A.); 1856-7, Cambridge; 1858, Baltimore; 1859, West Baltimore Circuit; 1860-1, New Market; 1862-4, Union; 1865, Washington Street; 1866-73, superannuated; 1874, Seaford; 1875-85, superannuated.

61. ALFRED BAKER. Born June 4, 1813; died January 17, 1885. Appointments: 1841-3, Concord; 1844, Baltimore (A.); 1845-6, superannuated; 1847, Baltimore; 1848, superannuated; 1849, Patuxent; 1850-1, Frederick; 1852-6, superannuated; 1857, Frederick (A.); 1858, superannuated; 1864, Montgomery; 1865, no appointment at his request; 1866, Montgomery; 1867, no appointment at his request; 1868, Montgomery; 1869, no appointment at his request; 1870, supernumerary.

62. CHRISTOPHER BURNS MIDDLETON. A.B., Western Maryland College, 1876. Born at Washington, D. C., July 24, 1854; died at Alexandria, Va., Feb. 16, 1886. Appointments: 1876, Abingdon, Va.; 1877, no appointment at his request; 1878, Kent (A.); 1879-80, Hampden; 1881-2, East Baltimore; 1883, Atlanta, Ga.; 1884-5, Alexandria.

63. WILLIAM THOMAS DUMM. Born in Zanesville, Ohio, January 19, 1817; died at Johnsville, Md., July 19, 1866; buried at Union Bridge, Carroll county, Md., July 22, 1886. 1843-4, Deer Creek, Assis't; 1845, Williamsport; 1846, Potomac; 1847, Cumberland; 1848, Snow Hill; 1849, Queen Anne's; 1850, Kent, Assis't; 1851-2, Mount Zion; 1853-4, Deer Creek; 1855-6, New Market; 1857, Cecil; 1858-9, Carlisle; 1860-1, E. Washington; 1862-3, Salem, Philadelphia; 1864-5, Cumberland; 1866, Caroline; 1867, Salisbury; 1868-9, Finksburg; 1870-1, Frederick; 1872-4, Cecil; 1875-7, Howard; 1878, Stewartstown; 1879, superannuated. 62

64. DAVID ANTHONY SHERMER, M.D. Born in Philadelphia, Pa., June 5, 1824; died in Vienna, Md., December 4, 1886. 1844, Union, Assis't; 1845, Queen Anne's, Assis't; 1846, Lewes; 1847-9, Dorchester; 1850, Cambridge, Assis't; 1851-3, Howard; 1854-5, Brickmaker's; 1856-7, S. Baltimore; 1858-59, Queen Anne's; 1860-1, E. Baltimore; 1862-3, Jefferson; 1864-5, Liberty; 1866-7, Georgetown; 1868-70, Belair; 1871-4, Washington Street; 1875-6, Broadway; 1877-9, Anne Arundel; 1880-1, Milton; 1882-4, Cecil; 1885-6, Dorchester.

65. DANIEL FITCHETT EWELL, M.D. Born in Accomac county, Va., January 24, 1817; died March 17, 1888, at Clayton, Del. 1838, Shippensburg, Assis't; 1839-41, Dorchester; 1842, Church Creek; 1843, Brickmaker's, Phila.; 1844-5, Union; 1846-8, Newtown; 1849, Accomac; 1850, Dorchester; 1851, no appointment at his request; 1852-5, unstationed; 1857-8, Anne Arundel; 1859-61, Warwick; 1862-5, Delaware; 1866, Washington Street; 1867-70, Warwick; 1871, Talbot; 1872-84, superannuated; 1885, Powellsville; 1886, Talbot; 1887, Clayton. 55

66. WILLIAM FRANCIS LIVINGSTON. Born in Worcester county, Md., May 16, 1836; died November 29, 1888, at Westminster, Md. 1861, New Market, Assis't; 1862, Cecil, Assis't; 1863-71, no appointment; 1872-3, Williamsport; 1874-7, Concord; 1878-80, Deer Creek; 1881-2, Middleway; 1883-7, Potomac; 1888, superannuated. 52

67. CHARLES MCFEELY THOMPSON. Born July 22, 1843; died April 9, 1889. 1868, Whaleyville, Assis't; 1869, St. Michael's; 1870, Anne Arundel, Assis't; 1871, Norfolk; 1872-3, Seaford; 1874-5, Milton; 1876-8, Chesapeake; 1879-83, Susquehanna; 1884, Finksburg; 1885, Leipsic; 1886, Clayton; 1887-9, Harrington.

68. ROBERT THOMAS SMITH. Born in Baltimore, Md., September 20, 1850; died May 20, 1889, in Washington, D. C. 1874, Belair, Assis't; 1875, Norfolk; 1876, All Saints; 1877-8, Crumpton; 1879-80, Kent Island; 1881, Cumberland; 1882-3, Baltimore; 1884, Eutaw; 1885-7, Rowlandville; 1888-9, without appointment.

69. AUGUSTUS WEBSTER. D.D., Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, Pa., 1848. Born in Harford county, Md., December 8, 1808; died October 26, 1890, in Baltimore, Md. 1832, Reisterstown, Assis't; 1833, Reisterstown; 1834-5, Alexandria; 1836, Agent for B. Con.; 1837-8, Georgetown, D. C.; 1839-40, Washington, D. C.; 1841-2, President; 1843, St. John's; 1844-5, no appointment at his request; 1846, unstationed; 1866, returned to honorary membership by invitation; 1866-82, loaned to St. John's; 1883-90, Pastor Emeritus, St. John's.

70. SAMUEL TUCKER FERGUSON. Born in Washington, D. C., January 5, 1840; died November 11, 1890, at Liberty, Md. 1864, Union, Assis't;

1865, Carlisle; 1866, New Market, Assis't; 1867, Prince William; 1868, Howard, Assis't; 1869, Queen Anne's; 1870, Pocomoke; 1871, Harmony; 1872-3, Frederick; 1874-5, Union; 1876-8, Finksburg; 1881-2, Bedford; 1883-6, Concord; 1887-90, Liberty.

71. JAMES THOMPSON. Born in County Down, Ireland, September 9, 1819; died December 25, 1890, at Westminster, Md. 1853, Union, Assis't; 1854, Howard, Assis't; 1855, Baltimore, Assis't; 1856, Newtown, Assis't; 1857, Queen Anne's, Assis't; 1858, Deer Creek, Assis't; 1859, New Market, Assis't; 1860, Howard, Assis't; 1861, Union, Assis't; 1862, Cambridge; 1863-4, Carlisle; 1865-6, East Washington; 1867-9, Bedford; 1870, South Baltimore; 1871-2, Howard; 1873-4, Bedford; 1875-7, Cecil; 1878-9, Concord; 1880-90, superannuated.

72. ROBERT WILKINS BERRYMAN. Born in Surry county, Va., March 30, 1816; died in same county, April 9, 1891; transferred from Virginia Conference, 1876; supernumerary, 1876-91.

73. JAMES HENRY ELLEGOOD. Born in Laurel Del., January 15, 1817; died near Seaford, Del., September 9, 1892. 1850, Newtown, Assis't; 1851, Friendship; 1852, Prince William; 1853-4, Salem; 1855-6, Carlisle; 1857, Kent, Assis't; 1858, Caroline, Assis't; 1859. Berkley; 1860-1, Cambridge; 1862-3, New Market, Assis't; 1864-66, Harmony; 1867-9, Caroline; 1870-1, Finksburg; 1872-3, Milton; 1874-6, Sussex; 1877, Quantico; 1878, superannuated.

74. THEODORE DENNY VALIANT. Born May 9, 1820; died June 6, 1894, Deal's Island, Md. 1846, Dorchester; 1847, Pipe Creek, Assistant; 1848-9, Williamsport; 1850-1, Kent; 1852-3, Cumberland; 1854-5, West Baltimore; 1856-7, Salem, Phila.; 1858-60, Deer Creek; 1861, Salem, Phila.; 1862, Lexington; 1863-8, supernumerary; 1869-71, Centreville; 1872-5, Georgetown; 1876-7, Newark, N. J.; 1878, St. Michaels; 1879-82, President; 1883-5, Belair; 1886-8, Pipe Creek; 1889-94, superannuated.

75. EDWIN RUTHVEN MCGREGOR. Born June 3, 1817, in Western New York, near Lake Ontario; died March 8, 1895, Ballston, Va. 1872-3, Liberty; 1874, Alexandria; 1875, Lexington-Street; 1876, Hampden; 1877, St. Michaels; 1878, Surry; 1879, Norfolk; 1880-2, Surry; 1883-4, Stewartstown; 1885-7, Frederick; 1888-9, Potomac; 1890-1, Assistant Editor of the METHODIST PROTESTANT; 1892-3, Potomac; 1894, Mt. Nebo.

76. JOHN BYRD WHALEY. Born at Whaleyville, Wicomico county, Md., June 4, 1867; died in Baltimore, Md., October 14, 1894. 1891-3, Professor in Theological Seminary; 1894, Professor in Western Maryland College.

77. JAMES KANE NICHOLS. Born in Berkeley county, Va., July 18, 1817; died May 5, 1895, at Johnsville, Md. 1826, Baltimore (A.); 1837, Dorchester (A.); 1838, Deer Creek (A.); 1839, Cumberland; 1840, Kent (A.); 1841, Prince William; 1842-4, Caroline; 1845-6, Pipe Creek (A.); 1847, Snow Hill; 1848, no appointment at his request; 1849, Williamsport (A.); 1850, loaned to Philadelphia; 1851, Reading; 1852-3, Cambridge; 1854, Williamsport; 1855, Harper's Ferry; 1856-7, Bethlehem; 1858-60, Newtown; 1861, Frederick; 1862-4, President; 1865-7, Belair; 1868-71, Jefferson; 1872-4, Vice President Western Maryland College; 1875-6, Alexandria; 1877-8, Liberty; 1879, Libertytown; 1880, without appointment at his request; 1881-1895, superannuated.

78. DANIEL WEBSTER BATES. Born in Medford, Burlington county; New Jersey, June 10, 1815; died at Edesville, Md., November 9, 1895, 1842, Wesley Chapel; 1843, Cecil; 1844, Snow Hill; 1845-6, Cambridge; 1847, Williamsport (A.); 1848-50, New Market; 1851-2, Baltimore; 1853-4, Salem, Phila.; 1855-7, Howard; 1858-9, Kent; 1860, Caroline; 1861-2, Anne

Arundel; 1663-4, Washington-Street; 1865, Alexandria; 1866-8, Liberty. 1869-71, Baltimore; 1872-3, Stewartstown; 1874-6, Warwick; 1877-9, President; 1880-2, Chesapeake; 1883-5, superannuated.

79. JOHN WILLIAM CHARLTON. Born in Frederick county, Md., January 27, 1832; died at Lee Mont, Accomac county, Va., February 24, 1896. 1859, Frederick (A.); 1860, Snow Hill; 1861, Queen Anne's (A.); 1862-3, Cumberland; 1864, Broadway; 1865-6, Salem, Phila.; 1867-8, East Washington; 1869-70, Anne Arundel; 1871-3, Laurel; 1874-6, Pipe Creek; 1877, College Agent; 1878, South Baltimore; 1879-80, Finksburg; 1881-3, Fawn Grove; 1884, Talbot; 1885-6, Seaford; 1887-9, Pipe Creek; 1893-4, Kemptown; 1895, Accomac.

80. THOMAS E. COULBOURN. Born September 1, 1853, in Somerset county, Md. Died in Pittston, Pa., March 11, 1896 1880, Dorchester (A.); 1881-2, Georgetown (A.); 1883-4, Broadway; 1885-91, Lynchburg; 1892-6, Foreign Missionary Secretary.

81. RILEY SETH WILLIAMSON. Born 1863, Baltimore county, Md.; died May 9, 1896, at Centreville, Cumberland Valley, Bedford county, Pa. 1887, Preston; 1888-9, Grove; 1890-1, Franklin City; 1892-4, Milton; 1895-6, Bedford.

82. JOHN ROBERT NICHOLS. Born in Berkeley county, W. Va., June 4, 1815; died at Odenton, Anne Arundel county, Md., July 22, 1896. 1838, Snow Hill and Princess Anne(A); 1839 Kent(A); 1840, Accomac Mission; 1841, Brickmakers' Station, Phila.; 1842, Snow Hill and Newton (A.); 1843-4, Sussex; 1845-8, Brickmakers'; 1849, Reading; 1850-2, Williamsport; 1853-5, South Baltimore; 1856-9, East Washington; 1860-1, Kent; 1862-3, Sussex; 1864-5, East Baltimore; 1866-8, Starr; 1869-70, Broadway; 1871, Pipe Creek; 1872-4, Baltimore; 1875, Hampden; 1876, Liberty; 1877, N. W. Mission, Baltimore; 1878-9, Severn; 1880, All Saints; 1881, Hull-Street; 1882, Pittsville; 1883-4, Baltimore; 1885, Marley; 1886, Baltimore; 1887-90, Anne Arundel; 1891, Ellicott City and Nichols' Memorial; 1892-5, Nichols' Memorial.

83. JAMES THOMAS WARD. Born in Georgetown, D. C., August 21, 1820; died in Westminster, Md., March 7, 1897. 1841, Pipe Creek, Assistant; 1842-3, Williamsport, Assistant; 1844, Williamsport; 1845, Cumberland; 1846-7, no appointment, own request; 1848, transferred; 1857-9, Pipe Creek; 1860-1, Alexandria; 1862-3, Liberty; 1864-5, Ninth-Street; 1866, supernumerary; 1867-1886, President Western Maryland College; 1887-1897, President Westminster Theological Seminary.

84. RHESA SCOTT NORRIS. Born in Harford county, Md., August 7, 1820; died December 7, 1897, at Baltimore, Md. Interred at Loudon Park Cemetery. 1842, Cecil; 1843, Trough Creek; 1844, New Market; 1845, Trough Creek; 1846-8, Anne Arundel; 1849-50, Newtown; 1851-2, Philadelphia (Brickmakers'); 1853-4, Stewartstown; 1855-7, Baltimore Circuit; 1858-60, Howard; 1861-2, Easton; 1863-4, Belair; 1865-7, Pipe Creek; 1868, Frederick; 1869-72, Starr Church; 1873-4, Chestertown; 1875-8, Washington-Street Church; 1879-82, Light-Street Church; 1883-7, Maryland Tract Society.

85. JAMES L. KILLGORE. Born at Stanton, Del., August 24, 1832; died at Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 4, 1898. 1872-3, Alexandria; 1874-5, superannuated; 1876-8, Kent Island; 1879-82, Stewartstown; 1883-4, Jefferson; 1885-7, Hampden; 1888-91, Lisbon; 1892-98, superannuated.

86. JOHN WESLEY EVERIST. Born in Harford county, Md., October 22, 1810; died at Royal Oak, Talbot county, Md., August 22, 1898. 1833, Anne Arundel, Assistant; 1834, Williamsport, Assistant; 1835, Pipe Creek, Assistant; 1836, Baltimore; 1837, Dorchester; 1837-9, East Baltimore; 1840, Harper's Ferry; 1841-2, Ebenezer, Phila.; 1843-5, Queen Anne's; 1846-7,

Talbot; 1848, First Church, Wash.; 1849, Georgetown; 1850, Cambridge; 1851, Harper's Ferry; 1852-3, East Baltimore; 1854, Howard; 1855-7, President; 1858, Salem, Phila.; 1859-60, Anne Arundel; 1861, Talbot, Assistant; 1862, Alexandria; 1863, no appointment at own request; 1864-6, Talbot, Assistant; 1867, no appointment at own request; 1868-98, superannuated.

87. ROBERT LUTHER LEWIS. Born in Montgomery county, Md., June 2, 1847, died in Federalsburg, Md., April 13, 1899. Appointments: 1870, Howard; 1871, Dorchester; 1872, Belair; 1873, Kent; 1874, Pocomoke Circuit; 1875-81, Heathsville; 1881-3, Queen Anne; 1884, Seaford; 1885-7, Chesapeake; 1888-9, Salisbury; 1890-1, Caroline; 1892-4, Kennedyville, 1895, South Baltimore; 1896, Delta; 1897, Wye; 1898, superannuated.

88. ANDREW JAMES WALTER. Born near Baltimore city, 1847; Died at Mardela Springs, Md., May 22, 1899. 1874, Baltimore; 1875, Potomac; 1876, Cecil; 1877, Princess Anne; 1878, Frederick; 1879, Guilford; 1880, Rainsburg; 1881, Campbell; 1882, Kennedyville; 1883, Accomac; 1885, Preston; 1887, Powellville; 1891, Sussex; 1894, Reliance; 1897, Conquest; 1899, Mardela Springs.

89. JOSHUA THOMAS MURRAY, D.D. Born in Hagerstown, February 19, 1830; died in Baltimore, December 30, 1899. 1851, Howard; 1852-3, Queen Anne's; 1854, Harper's Ferry; 1855-6, Alexandria; 1857-9, Pipe Creek; 1860-1, Philadelphia; 1862-3, Kent; 1864-5, West Baltimore; 1866, Editor METHODIST PROTESTANT; 1867-9, Kent; 1870-3, East Baltimore; 1874-5, Newark; 1876-8, Georgetown; 1879-82, Westminster; 1883-1885, President; 1886-8, Westminister; 1889, Pipe Creek; 1890-9, Tract Agent.

JOURNAL.

FIRST DAY.

WESTMINSTER, April 4, 1900.

Seventy-second session of the Maryland Annual Conference opened in Westminster, Maryland, at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning, April 4, 1900.

Devotional exercises consisted of Scripture reading by W. J. Neepier; singing by the Conference, and prayer by President A. D. Melvin.

President called S. B. Southerland to the chair, and read his report. (Report A).

President's character passed.

Roll was called.

Names of R. L. Lewis, A. J. Walter and J. T. Murray were placed on the Dead-roll.

W. R. Graham moved to suspend, for this session, the order of Conference, and hold memorial service on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Adopted. (Resolution 1).

On motion of T. H. Lewis the reading of the Dead-roll was deferred to Sunday afternoon.

Hours of session were placed at 9 to 12 and 2.30 to adjourn at pleasure.

On motion the afternoon session for this day begins at 2.

G. Edwin Brown was appointed to collect for sexton.

T. H. Lewis, on behalf of the trustees, tendered Alumni Hall to the Conference, and invited the Conference to inspect the college between the hours of 3 and 6 on Thursday. H. L. Elderdice also invited the Conference to visit and inspect the Seminary. Invitations accepted.

The President announced Standing Committees.

The order of the day having arrived, the Conference Sermon was delivered by W. J. Neepier, from John I: 29 and 34.

AFTERNOON.

W. M. Strayer moved that the committee on publication of minutes, consist of the Secretary and two persons to be appointed by the President. Carried.

The President appointed F. T. Tagg and F. T. Little.

Resolution of condolence with the family of Rev. John Scott, D.D., was offered by L. W. Bates, and adopted by a rising vote. Secretary was instructed to communicate the same to the family. (Resolution 2.)

Rev. C. L. Queen, Fraternal Messenger from the West Virginia Conference, and Rev. P. H. Miller, pastor of the Lutheran Church of Westminister, were introduced to the Conference.

Order of the day having arrived, officers were elected as follows.

President, A. D. Melvin.

Secretary, Dorsey Blake.

Conference Steward, J. H. S. Ewell.

Church Extension Steward, E. S. Fooks.

Superannuated Fund Steward, W. H. Litsinger.

Foreign Missionary Steward, J. F. Wooden.

Educational Steward, G. W. Hines.

General Home Mission Steward, G. M. Clayton.

Standing District Committee, L. W. Bates, J. D. Kinzer, Wm. Dale, W. J. C. Dulany, W. G. Baker and W. B. Usilton.

Committee on Appeals, W. S. Hammond, F. T. Little, J. D. Kinzer, John Mason, R. S. Griffith and J. N. Warfield.

B. F. Ruley was appointed to collect dues for Church Extension Society, and J. M. Dickey for the Superannuated Fund Society.

Secretary appointed C. P. Nowlin and Edgar T. Read, as his assistants.

Adjourned with benediction.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, April 5, 1900.

Conference assembled at 9 A. M.

Devotional exercises conducted by F. C. Klein.

Minutes read and approved.

F. H. Mullineaux moved that the conference sermon be published in the minutes. Carried.

Roll of charges called for business.

Papers from Keen Memorial and Amelia were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Papers from Amelia, Fairfax, Grove, Fox Hill, Chestertown and Kemptown were referred to the Faculty of Instruction.

Papers from Leipsic, North Baltimore, South Baltimore, Clayton, Middleway, Seaford, Keen Memorial, Oak Grove, Nichols' Memorial, Mt. Nebo, Reliance, Wye, Crumpton, Clinton Hill, Quantico, Talbot, Marley and Evergreen were referred to the Committee on Church Extension.

The President announced the following to lead devotional exercises: Friday, J. N. Norris; Saturday, L. A. Bennett; Monday, C. K. McCoslin; Tuesday, J. M. Brown.

Letter from E. H. VanDyke read and referred to Committee on Foreign Missions.

W. M. Strayer moved that the devotional exercises tomorrow be devoted to the interests of missions. Carried.

J. J. Murray offered a resolution in reference to Sanford Bill. Resolution referred to Committee on Sabbath observance. (Resolution 3).

Roll called, and pastors deposited their reports.

E. T. Read read a communication from the Baltimore Preachers' Meeting concerning mutual relief. Paper referred to a special committee consisting of J. L. Mills, T. H. Lewis and F. C. Klein.

J. M. Sheridan moved that all obituaries be published in the Minutes this year.

E. J. Drinkhouse moved that the President appoint a committee on Obituaries of Deceased Wives of Ministers. Carried. (Resolution 4).

J. L. Mills offered resolution on temperance. Referred to committee on Temperance. (Resolution 5).

Secretary read his report. Referred to committee on Finance. (Report B.)

The following were introduced to the Conference: Rev. W. I. Davenport, Field Secretary of Kansas City; Rev. C. D. Sinkinson, ex-president of the New Jersey Conference; Rev. C. E. Wilbur, Editor of Sunday school Literature; Rev. L. T. Widerman, Agent of Maryland Bible Society; Rev. J. C. Berrien, Cor-

responding Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Education; Rev. P. G. Walker, Pastor of Union M. E. Church, Westminster, and Dr. J. W. Hering, President of the General Conference.

Paper on Dr. Drinkhouse's "History of Methodist Reform" was read by J. S. Bowers. Referred to Committee on Literature.

N. T. Meginniss presented the report of the Committee on President's Parsonage. Referred to Board of Finance. (Report C).

Paper from Baltimore Book Directory was referred to Committee on Literature.

The Educational Endowment Society submitted its report. (Report D).

The Treasurer of the Superannuated Fund Society submitted his report. Referred to Superannuated Fund Society.

Resolution from J. M. Holmes on Broadway Church Debt was referred to Committee on Church Extension.

Rev. L. T. Widerman, Agent of the Maryland Bible Society addressed the Conference.

Item from Dr. F. C. Clarke's letter published in *The Methodist Protestant* referring to Rev. U. G. Murphy's work in Japan, by motion of F. C. Klein, was referred to Committee on Missions.

J. D. Kinzer read report of the Board of Governors of the Theological Seminary. Referred to Committee on Education.

T. H. Lewis read report of the Special Committee on North Carolina Avenue Church. Referred to Board of Finance. Time extended indefinitely.

Resolution of J. D. Cathel on Conference Assessments was referred to Board of Finance.

Letter from H. L. Elderdice was referred to Faculty of Instruction.

Adjourned with benediction by S. B. Southerland.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, April 6, 1900.

Conference convened at 9 A.M.

Devotional exercises conducted by J. W. Norris.

Minutes read and approved.

Roll of charges called and following papers presented and referred:

To Church Extension Committee, papers from Montgomery, Millville, Chester, Pa.; Cumberland, Lawsonia, Christ's Church, Second Church, Wilmington; Powellville, Wicomico, Snow Hill, Dover, St. Michael's.

To Board of Finance, papers from Belair, Salem, Caroline.

To Faculty of Instruction, papers from Middleway.

F. T. Tagg moved that a book by Dr. David Wilson, entitled "A Young Man's Chart," be referred to Committee on Literature.

J. L. Straughn offered a resolution in regard to camp-meeting supplies. Referred to a special committee consisting of T. H. Lewis, J. L. Straughn and John Mason.

W. R. Graham read report of Committee on Pulpit Supply. Adopted.

Moved that when Conference adjourns it shall reconvene at 1.45 this afternoon.

F. T. Tagg, agent of the Twentieth Century Thank-Offering Fund, submitted his report.

Chairman of Committee on Statistics made a partial report.

Letter from G. J. Smith was read and referred to Committee on Superannuates.

Letter from J. L. Wolfe was read.

J. M. Sheridan read report of Baltimore City Church Extension Society, which was referred to Special Committee, consisting of J. D. Kinzer, L. F. Warner and W. G. Baker.

J. D. Kinzer moved that J. J. Murray convey to R. S. Rowe the sympathy and prayers of this Conference in his affliction. Carried.

Report of Committee on President's Report read and adopted. (Report E).

Committee on Credentials submitted a report. (Report F).

Time extended fifteen minutes.

Adjourned with benediction by Dorsey Blake.

AFTERNOON.

Conference opened with President in the Chair.

J. J. Murray moved that Conference take a recess to organize the Electoral College. Carried.

Conference reconvened at 2.15, B. F. Benson in the Chair.

Report of Committee on Credentials taken up and adopted. (Report F).

Motion made to enroll the name of J. N. Gilbert as delegate from North Baltimore. Carried.

Conference took a recess for meeting of Electoral College.

Rev. Dr. McIlvaine, agent of the Maryland Tract Society, and Rev. C. L. Queen, fraternal messenger from the West Virginia Conference, addressed the Conference.

Report of Maryland Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was read and referred to the Committee on Missions.

Dr. J. W. Hering read report of the Trustees of the Home for the Aged. (Report G).

Report was made the order of the day for 10 o'clock Saturday.

Paper from Crumpton referred to Committee on Church Extension.

Risdon Bishop, delegate from Queen Anne's, and S. M. White, delegate from Georgetown Circuit, were excused after this session.

Conference gave way to the meeting of the Church Extension Society until four twenty-five.

Adjourned with benediction by F. T. Tagg.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, April 7, 1900.

Conference opened at 9 A.M.

Devotional Exercises conducted by L. A. Bennett.

Minutes read and approved.

List of committees called.

Report of the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference read and adopted. (Report H).

Paper of D. W. Anstine in the interest of Superannuated Fund was referred to a special committee consisting of J. S. Bowers, F. T. Little and H. C. Roberts—committee to report at session of 1901.

Report of Committee on Official Character was read. (Report I).

The business in hand was suspended in order to refer the names of J. G. Sullivan and J. H. Daugherty to the Committee on Superannuates.

The order of the day was suspended.

J. E. Maloy was excused from further attendance.

T. H. Lewis presented a resolution concerning Church Insurance and Church Trustees. Adopted. (Resolution 6).

A paper in the hands of the President was referred to a special committee consisting of J. W. Trout, H. L. Elderdice and W. B. Usilton.

The report of the Committee on Official Character was adopted. (Report I).

The President called W. S. Hammond to the chair.

Upon motion of J. B. Jones, the President appointed a special committee consisting of T. H. Lewis, J. B. Jones, L. R. Dyott, R. S. Griffith and Gaven Spence to consider our denominational interests in Philadelphia. (Resolution 7).

Conference gave place to the Electoral College until 11 A.M.

F. C. Klein moved that a special committee be appointed to assess $200 on the District for traveling expenses of representatives to the General Conference. F. T. Tagg, J. W. Balderston and W. E. Sheppard were appointed on the Committee. Resolution 8).

W. M. Strayer moved to defer the order of the day until 10 A.M. on Monday.

Special committee on Camp Meetings reported. Report adopted. (Report J).

The name of W. A. Dodge was substituted for that of N. T. Meginniss on the Board of Finance.

Rev. W. I. Davenport, Field Secretary of the Kansas City University, addressed the Conference.

J. E. Barnette, delegate from Mt. Nebo, R. F. Ryan, delegate from Payson Street, and W. H. Ross, delegate from Salem, were excused from further attendance.

Supplementary report from the Committee on President's Report, was read and adopted. (Report E).

The Secretary of Conference cast the ballot for R. S. Griffith as a member of the Committee on Appeals in place of N. T. Meginniss.

S. B. Tredway offered resolution concerning L. W. Bates. Adopted by rising vote. (Resolution 9).

Time of adjournment was postponed to hear the report of the Committee on Superannuates.

Report of the Agent of the Twentieth Century Thank-Offering Fund was referred to the Committee on Literature.

D. W. Anstine was substituted on Committee of Christian Endeavor in place of G. L. Wolfe, and John Dodd on the Committee of Literature in place of U. W. Hocker.

Adjourned with benediction by F. T. Little.

AFTERNOON.

Conference reassembled at 2 P.M. S. B. Southerland in the chair.

Report of the special committee to consider a paper submitted by the President, was read and adopted. (Report K).

Special committee on the Baltimore City Church Extension Society's report presented its report. Adopted. (Report L).

Conference gave place to the Electoral College until 3.05 P.M.

Former business in hand taken up and report adopted.

Faculty of Instruction reported. Last item recommending C. J. Burdette, T. R. Woodford, H. S. Lease, J. M. Dickey, C. M. Zepp and B. F. Ruley for ordination, adopted. (Report M).

Time of ordination was fixed for Sunday at 10.30 A.M.

The deed of North Carolina Avenue Church was, by motion of F. T. Little, passed to the Treasurer of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society.

Secretary read a letter from E. A. Warfield.

Adjourned with benediction by B. F. Benson.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, April 9, 1900.

Conference convened at 9 A.M.

Devotional exercises conducted by W. O. Livingston.

Minutes read and approved.

List of committees called.

Report of the Faculty of Instruction taken up by items, and each adopted. Report as a whole adopted. (Report, M).

By motion, the time for the reception of candidates into the itinerancy was fixed for 11 A.M. Tuesday.

J. J. Murray presented a letter from R. S. Rowe.

Conference gave place to the Electoral College until 10.15.

B. P. Truitt moved that $4,000 be assessed upon the District for Church Extension. Carried. (Resolution 10).

J. D. Kinzer moved that the assessment on the District for Seminary be the same as last year. Carried. (Resolution 11).

J. M. Sheridan moved that $450 be assessed on the District for Conference expenses. Carried. (Resolution 12).

J. M. Sheridan moved that the assessment on the District for Foreign Missions, Ministerial Education and Home Missions be the same as last year. Carried. (Resolution 13).

The President called S. B. Southerland to the chair.

D. H. Lewis moved that the request of J. B. Jones concerning our denominational interests in Philadelphia be presented to the Church Extension Committee with the approval of Conference. Carried.

The order of the day was taken up.

S. B. Tredway offered a resolution concerning the Home for the Aged. Adopted. (Resolution, 14).

Conference adjourned to permit the Electoral College to meet, and re-assembled at 11.35.

B. F. Benson called to the chair.

Paper from Accomac referred to the Committee on Church Extension.

J. M. Holmes made a motion concerning *The Methodist Protestant.*

J. E. Nicholson moved that the recess this day be until 2 P.M. Carried.

J. L. Straughn moved to reconsider the motion made by J. M. Holmes and refer it to the Committee on Literature. Adopted.

F. C. Klein offered a resolution fixing the first Wednesday in April, 1901, as the date of the next Annual Session. Adopted. (Resolution 15).

W. M. Strayer moved that T. P. Revelle be loaned to the Board of Home Missions. Referred to the Committee on Fraternal Relations.

Special Committee on Mutual Relief reported. The report made the order of the day for 2.30 this afternoon. (Report P).

Report of the President of Western Maryland College was referred without reading to Committee on Education.

C. S. Arnett was excused from further attendance.

Conference took recess.

AFTERNOON.

Conference called to order by the Secretary.

T. O. Crouse moved that W. M. Strayer take the chair.

Conference gave place to Electoral College, until 2.25.

Invitation to hold the next session of Conference in Cumberland was received.

Temperance Committee read its report. (Report N).

G. Edwin Brown reported $31.08 collected for sexton.

A. E. Tull, delegate from Trinity, was excused from further attendance.

T. P. Revelle, Foreign Mission Steward, submitted his report. Adopted. (Report O).

E. J. Drinkhouse moved that the order of the day be suspended to hold the meeting of the Superannuated Fund Society. Carried.

Paper from the President of the Maryland Conference C. E. Union was referred to the Committee on Christian Endeavor.

Order of the day, report of the Special Committee on Mutual Relief, was taken up.

Conference gave place to the Electoral College till 3.15.

Report of the Committee on Mutual Relief adopted. (Report P).

Conference adjourned to hold a meeting of the Mutual Relief Association.

Conference session resumed.

T. J. Ogburn, Secretary of Board of Foreign Missions, addressed the Conference.

Conference gave place to the Electoral College until 4.25.

Invitation to hold the next session of Conference in Easton, Md., was received.

Board of Finance submitted a report on the Sustentation Fund. Adopted. (Report Q).

T. H. Lewis offered resolutions concerning the Sustentation Fund. Resolutions were referred to special committee to report at the session of 1901.

J. R. Caton offered resolutions concerning time limit of pastorates. (Resolution 16).

Conference, while report was under discussion, adjourned, with benediction by W. M. Strayer.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, April 10, 1900.

Conference convened at 9 A. M.

Devotional exercises conducted by G. McLain Brown.

Minutes read, corrected and approved.

J. L. Mills, T. O. Crouse, W. R. Graham, G. H. Erdman, T. W. Mather were announced a Special Committee on Sustentation Fund to report at the session of 1901.

Supplementary report of the Committee on Official Character was submitted. Item one, adopted. Item two, laid on the table. Item three, adopted. Report as a whole adopted. (Report I).

Papers from Frederica and Fairfield were referred to the Committee on Church Extension.

J. M. Sheridan offered an additional report from the Baltimore City Church Extension. (Report L).

Conference gave place to the Electoral College until 10.30. S. B. Southerland was called to the chair.

Upon motion, Dr. J. W. Hering, Treasurer of the Home for the Aged read his report. (Report G).

F. T. Tagg moved that the report be published in the minutes. Carried.

Frank Holland was excused from further attendance.

List of committees called for business.

J. D. Kinzer moved that this evening's session be held in Alumni Hall, at 7.30. Carried.

Committee on Statistics reported. Adopted. (See tables).

The order of the day having arrived the President received candidates into the itinerancy.

Partial report of the Committee on Church Extension was read and considered by items, after which the report as a whole was adopted. (Report L).

Time of adjournment was extended.

Conference took recess.

AFTERNOON.

Conference reassembled at 2 P. M.

J. M. Dickey reported $93.50 dues collected for the Superannuated Fund Society.

B. F. Ruley reported $95.00 dues collected for the Church Extension Society.

Letter was read from A. D. Dick.

Letter was read from R. S. Rowe.

W. M. Strayer offered a resolution of sympathy with R. S. Rowe and family. Adopted. (Resolution 17).

Letters read from J. W. Norris concerning a claim now before Congress for damages to Mt. Olivet Church during the Civil War, and asking that a special committee of three be appointed to go before Congress.

B. F. Benson moved that the request be granted. Adopted.

Special Committee on Assessment for Traveling Expenses of Representatives to the General Conference reported. Adopted. (Report R).

Rev. Samuel McLain, President of the Pennsylvania Conference Methodist Protestant Church, was introduced.

W. S. Hammond was called to the chair.

Committee on Church Enterprise submitted its report.

Conference gave place to Electoral College till 3.55.

Request of the Committee on Church Enterprise withdrawn by consent.

Resolution of J. R. Caton concerning time limit of Pastorate called up from the table. (Resolution 16).

T. H. Lewis and W. M. Strayer offered amendments, which were accepted.

Vote on resolution taken by orders. Carried.

W. A. Dodge, delegate from North Caroline Avenue, was excused from further attendance.

Conference gave place to Electoral College until 4.25.

J. R. Caton, delegate from Alexandria, was excused from further attendance.

Committee on Literature submitted its report. Adopted after being amended on motion of T. H. Lewis. (Report S).

By motion F. C. Klein's resolution concerning time of holding the next Conference session was adopted. (Resolution 15).

Easton was selected as the place of meeting for the next Conference.

Conference gave place to Electoral College.

J. M. Holmes tendered a check, representing balance on payment of interest on Broadway debt, and asked what disposition to make of it. On motion, he was instructed to hand the check to the Treasurer of the Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society.

E. J. Drinkhouse offered a resolution of sympathy with John G. Clarke. Adopted. (Resolution, 18).

Conference gave way to hold meeting of the Church Extension Society.

G. A. Morris offered a resolution concerning Dr. Tagg's address. Adopted. (Resolution, 19).

Committee on Fraternal Relations submitted its report. Adopted. (Report, T).

Adjourned with benediction by J. D. Kinzer.

EVENING.

Conference convened at 7.30.

By motion, W. S. Hammond was called to the chair.

Conference Steward submitted his report. Adopted. (Report DD).

Committee on Education submitted its report, which was considered by items. Each item was adopted and report adopted as a whole. (Report U)

Collection taken to raise deficiency on Seminary assessment, $238.25.

Committee on Foreign Missions submitted its report, which was adopted. (Report O).

The Board of Finance submitted its report. Adopted. (Report V).

The Committee on Church Extension presented its report, which was considered by items. All the items were adopted as read, down to the nineteenth item, which was adopted after amendment. The remaining items were adopted to the twenty-fifth, which was stricken out. The concluding items of the report were adopted as read. The item on appropriation to North Baltimore was reconsidered, and, on motion of J.W. Kirk, was changed to read $632.00; provided, the church shall pay all its debt this Conference year. The report was then adopted as a whole. (Report L).

Committee on Christian Endeavor submitted its report, which was adopted. (Report W).

The report of the Committee on Superannuates was taken from the table, read and adopted. (Report X).

Supplemental report of the Committee on Superannuates recommending a change in the Constitution of the Superannuated Fund Society, was read and, on motion of S. B. Tredway, was laid over until the session of 1901.

The report of the Committee on Benevolent Agencies was adopted. (Report Y).

The Steward of the Church Extension Fund submitted his report, which was adopted. (Report L).

The Steward of the Educational Fund read his report, which was, on motion, adopted. (Report Z).

The report of the Steward of the Superannuated Fund was presented and adopted. (Report X).

The report of the Steward of the General Home Missions Fund was read and adopted. (Report AA).

S. J. Smith offered a resolution requesting W. M. Strayer to

furnish a copy of his ordination sermon for publication in *The Methodist Protestant*. The resolution was adopted. (Resolution 20).

Report of the Committee on Sabbath Schools was read and adopted. (Report BB).

The report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance was read and adopted. (Report BB).

Report of Committee on Temperance was taken from the table, read and, on motion, adopted. J. E. Maloy desired to be placed on record as protesting against all reference to President McKinley in the report. (Report N).

Resolution of W. M. Strayer authorizing the Quarterly Conference of Jefferson Circuit to sell the Jefferson Church property was adopted. (Resolution 21).

On motion of T. H. Lewis, the assessment for traveling expenses of the representatives to the General Conference was directed to be published in *The Methodist Protestant*. Minutes approved as read.

The President read the plan of appointments, after which Conference adjourned with benediction by W. S. Hammond. (Report CC).

DORSEY BLAKE, *Secretary*.

Approved:

A. D. MELVIN, *President*.

REPORTS.

Report A.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

DEAR BRETHREN—I have not visited all the charges in the district this year, notwithstanding I have driven more miles, preached more sermons and attended more business meetings than I did last year. Some charges, where my services were not needed, were not visited, that I might visit others more than once, where my presence would be of service to pastor and people.

DEATHS.

Before beginning a review of the year's work I am compelled to make announcements that will cause us all sorrow. Death has removed from our ranks those loved and honored by us all. Three of our ministers and five Christian ladies, the wives of ministers, are no longer with us. They live in our memory and by their works.

"The memory of the just is precious."

Rev. R. L. Lewis, died April 13, 1899.

Rev. A. J. Walter, died May 22, 1899.

Rev. J. T. Murray, D.D., died December 30, 1899.

Mrs. Marietta Dickinson Mills, died April 20, 1899.

Mrs. Catherine Ann Ward, died June 1, 1899.

Mrs. Carrie V. Coulbourn, died June 9, 1899.

Mrs. Mary Hood Nelson, died July 5, 1899.

Mrs. M. A. Eversole, died September 13, 1899.

Obituaries have been prepared for publication. The memorial service to be held to-morrow will furnish further opportunity for all, who desire, to express their appreciation of the character and work of these men and women who "are not, for God took them."

CHANGES.

During the year the following changes in appointments have been made: Rev. T. B. Pepper was released from Lawsonia, because of business engagements. Until the latter part of June the work on the charge was done by Rev. L. A. Bennett. Rev. A. G. Dixon was then appointed and remained until the opening of the school at the Seminary. Rev. T. R. Woodford was then released from Accomac and appointed to Lawsonia. The people of Accomac manifested their loyalty to the Conference in consenting to release a popular pastor in the interest of this young church. Rev. Wm. N. Sherwood, a student of the faculty, was appointed assistant

pastor on Accomac. Mardéla was without a pastor until the latter part of June. Rev. J. H. Straughn was then appointed. Brother Straughn was released in time to enter as a student at the Seminary. Rev. H. L. Murphy was released from Lewistown, August 31, and appointed to fill the vacancy at Mardela. Since Brother Murphy's release, Lewistown has had no pastor, but it has been served by the students of the Seminary under the direction of Dr. H. L. Elderdice. Rev. G. J. Smith was released from Frederica, December 15, on account of poor health, and Rev. H. L. Schlincke was given charge of that work. Subsequently Rev. J. Edgar Smith was sent to assist him.

RESOLUTIONS.

At our last session of the Conference the following resolutions were passed:

Resolved, That the President of the Conference be and hereby is requested to examine pastor's records and quarterly Conference registers and journals, and see that they conform to the order of the Discipline.

I have examined these books as far as practicable and find them generally correct and well kept.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Conference, that a time limit to the pastorate is desirable, and the President be and is hereby requested to bring the matter before the ministers and churches in his official visits this year, and embody the results in his report to the Conference at its next session.

It is more difficult to make a satisfactory report on this resolution. In its passage you have said, "a time limit is desirable." We have a time limit—one year. I presume that the object was to determine how many consecutive years a pastor should be appointed to one charge. No number of years is named. I have not found it practicable to bring this question before the membership of the churches, because of the hurried nature of my visits and because I saw the people mainly in the public congregation where the consideration of this subject would not have been timely. I report, therefore, that I have not been able to ascertain the opinion of the churches upon this subject.

MATERIAL IMPROVEMENTS.

New churches have been completed at Cumberland, Conquest, Georgetown Circuit, Harper's Ferry, Lawsonia, Millville and Trinity. New churches have been built on Belair, Dorchester, Finksburg, Fox Hill, and Talbot. A new Sunday school room has been built as an addition to Salisbury Church. Many churches have been handsomely and expensively improved. New parsonages have been built on Conquest and Mardela; one is in course of construction at Waltersville. A parsonage has been purchased at Frederick; Beaver Dam parsonage has been rebuilt making it practically new. Other parsonages not mentioned have been very much improved. There has been raised in payment of debts on church

property, in building and improvement $55,573.63 with fourteen charges not heard from. The work of finishing North Carolina Avenue Church under the care of the special committee has been so successful that I recommend the continuation of the committee and the re-appointment of the same persons. Fairview Church is practically extinct. Its surroundings are such that it will be impracticable for us to build up their a self-sustaining organization, I recommend, therefor, that it be sold. Pastor's salaries have been increased on some charges, and there are promises of increase on others for next year. From the number of letters from pastors, saying: "We expect to pay the assessments in full," we are justified in looking for an increase in the collections for general interests.

TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

The Agent of the Twentieth Century Fund will be able to make a gratifying report; $8,500 have been subscribed. I want to call attention to the fact that only 731 persons, less than one-thirtieth of our membership, have contributed to this fund. The question we ought to consider is, how we can reach the whole membership. If this can be done the $20,000 can be raised. We are manifestly able to do so, since it would be less than two cents a week per member.

BENEVOLENCES.

The Maryland Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has continued its good work. The interest in the Home for the Aged is increasing, and the contributions to its support will be larger this year. Mrs. T. A. Reese, the Pipe Creek and the Jefferson Benevolent Societies and the St. John's Board of Beneficence have continued their generous contributions to our ministers and churches and should have the thanks of the Conference.

BEQUESTS.

The various interests of the Church have received from deceased members and friends within the bounds of this Conference bequests to the amount of $9,800. The Superannuated Fund Society will receive about $5,000 from the estate of Mrs. H. T. Gernhardt. The Maryland Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society will receive $500 from the estate of Dr. J. T. Murray. Miss Margaret Ferguson left $500 to the Foreign Missionary Society and $200 to Uniontown Methodist Protestant Church. Brother David Shriner left $100 to Uniontown Church. Brother Elisha W. Andrews left property worth not less than $3,500 to Liberty Methodist Protestant Church, on Reliance Circuit. It is provided in the will that in case this church becomes extinct, the whole bequest comes to this Conference, to be known as the "Elisha W. Andrews Fund." I have employed competent counsel to look after this interest.

CHANGE OF RULES.

Inasmuch as it is important that the President of the Conference should have the names of delegates-elect in order to appoint standing com-

mittees, and that the pastor of the church that entertains the Conference should also have their names in order to provide for their entertainment, I recommend that the rules be so changed as to direct pastors to send the names of the delegates to the President, Secretary and the pastor of the church where the Conference is to be entertained, as soon as elected. Appreciating the importance of our pastors having our Conference minutes at the very beginning of the Conference year, and realizing that we cannot have them as early as we should, unless provision is made for their publication before the meeting of Conference, I have arranged with Brother Wm. J. C. Dulany for their publication. They will be ready for distribution within one week after the rise of Conference. I recommend that the rules be so changed as to make the Secretary of the Conference and two persons to be appointed by the President, a Committee on Publication of Minutes.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

An enthusiastic and largely attended Christian Endeavor Convention was held in Baltimore under the auspices of the Maryland Conference Union. This is evidence that our Christian Endeavor work throughout the District is in a healthy condition. I suggest the propriety of this Conference having some kind of supervision over these conventions, and by Conference action we endeavor to direct the energies of our young people. I have suggested to the officers of the Union the propriety of reporting to this Conference any facts of general interest and any questions upon which they would like to have your judgment and approval.

SABBATH SHOOLS.

Two District and two Circuit Sabbath School Conventions have been held during the year. These conventions are helpful and should be continued. I am not able to report the increase of scholars and teachers, but there has been a considerable increase in the amount of our Sabbath school literature used.

CONFERENCE RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The impression is general that our devotional services at Conference are not as well attended and do not result in as much spiritual profit as they should. Acting upon the theory that services made interesting will be well attended, Brother F. C. Klein conceived the idea of infusing life into them by a choir composed of members of the Conference. Books have been provided, good voices have been in training with the hope that these services will be of more interest and profit than usual.

THE SPIRITUAL CONDITION OF THE DISTRICT.

After having reported to you matters of a purely business character, I come to that which is of greater importance, viz., the spiritual condition of the District. This you will find by the reports to be made is very

gratifying. When the individual or the church is right spiritually, everything else will be right. Factions and feuds will disappear. Old sores will be healed. Inspired by one spirit, people will see eye to eye. This is the only true basis of harmony and success. This has been a year of revivals, sweeping and glorious. We have seen something of the old-time Methodist fire and power. The latter part of September, sharing with the rest of you the prevalent anxiety concerning the spiritual condition of the churches, I recommended that the first week in October be observed in all our churches as a "Week of Prayer" for revivals. This, I think, was generally done. Very soon I began to receive reports from pastors concerning these meetings, giving evidence of their burning desire that the Lord would revive His work. Meetings were begun by them with a determination to succeed. Some idea of the success of their labors has been obtained from the reports that have been published in THE PROTESTANT. But there has been a great deal of earnest work done, and a great many souls saved and added to the Church about which nothing has been said. Pastors' reports to me show that there have been 3,547 conversions and 2,915 accessions to our membership, with fourteen charges not heard from. Plain, practicable preaching, "not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in the demonstration of the Spirit and the power," accompanied by practical hand to hand and heart to heart work, will save men now as well as of old

What we need is more men, who will not only go to these spiritually lame men and women, providentially sitting at the beautiful Gospel gate at the entrance of Christ's kingdom and preach Jesus to them, bid them in His name rise up and walk, but men who will lovingly take them by the right hand and lift them up, and at every annual assembling we may be able to rejoice over the victories won and souls saved.

Respectfully,

A. D. MELVIN.

Report B.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

April 7, 1899, From Conference Steward	$303	30
April 7, 1899, From sale of Minutes	1	98
Nov. 14, 1899, From Ass't Deer Creek Charge for 1900	2	00
Feb. 17, 1900, From sale of Pastor's Blanks to Penna. Con...	1	25
Mar. 1900, From Ass't N. Balto. Charge for 1900	3	00
Total Receipts	$311	53

DISBURSEMENTS.

April 10, 1899,	To Conference Steward, salary and expenses.	$ 21 00	
April 8, 1899,	To Secretary, salary for 1898	50 00	
April 20, 1899,	To balance on printing Minutes of 1898	8 85	
	To printing and distributing Minutes, 1899	251 65	
	To postage	4 21	
	To expressage on trunk, Bibles, etc	2 18	
Sept. 9, 1899,	To Bibles and credentials	8 10	
Jan. 17, 1900,	To printing Pastor's Blanks and envelopes	47 30	
	Total disbursements		$393 29
	Deficit		$ 81 76

Report C.

ANNUAL REPORT OF AGENT OF PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE.

DISBURSEMENTS.

1899.			
June 1.	Cash paid to President A. D. Melvin	$ 12 00	
1900.			
March 15.	Paid City water rent on parsonage	13 44	
April 3.	Sundry bills handed in by the President paid by him during the year	135 78	
April 3.	Paid to T. A. Murray, treasurer for ground rent on parsonage	56 25	
April 3.	Paid to T. A. Murray, treasurer for interest on repair loan	33 75	
			$ 251 22
1899.			
April 4.	Cash balance in hand as then reported	$ 12 22	

RECEIPTS.

1900.			
March 13.	Cash received of President A. D. Melvin	$ 90 00	
March 30.	Cash received of President A. D. Melvin	12 00	
March 30.	Sundry bills turned in as cash by President paid by him during the year	135 78	
April 3.	Balance due Jarrett N. Gilbert	250 00	
			$1 22

JARRETT N. GILBERT.

Report D.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH OF BALTIMORE CITY.

BALTIMORE, March 30, 1900.

To the Maryland Annual Conference
of the Methodist Protestant Church:

This Society, in accordance with its charter, respectfully reports that no change during the year has occurred in its financial status and in its relation to Western Maryland College.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. KINZER, *President,*
E. J. DRINKHOUSE, *Secretary.*

Report E.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Your committee on President's Report respectfully submit the following:

We rejoice in the large measure of success that has crowned the labors of the year. The history of the Conference during the year is a record of which none who helped to make it need be ashamed, and for which all should be profoundly grateful to Almighty God.

We especially rejoice in the gracious and extensive revivals with which many of the charges have been visited. The arm of the Lord has been made brave, and there has been heard around our altars the shout of victory. More than thirty-five hundred souls are reported as having been converted, and nearly three thousand persons have been added to the church. Let us thank God and take courage.

We approve the course of the President in visiting those charges where, in his judgment, his visits were most needed. With every year it becomes increasingly difficult for the President to reach all the charges of the district. There are churches that do not so greatly need his visits. There are others where his presence, his preaching, his counsel, and his supervision are of decided advantage to the church and its work. It is wisdom for the President to place his labors where it will accomplish the most good.

We are pleased to learn of the continued generosity of Mrs. Tamsey A. Reese, the Pipe Creek and the Jefferson Benevolent Societies, and the St. John's Board of Benificence, and hereby express the hearty thanks of the Conference therefor.

We would express our appreciation of the generous bequests that have come to certain of our churches and church interests from deceased members and friends. We sorrow that these godly men and women have gone

out from us, but we rejoice that, though not with us in the body, they are with us in influence for good. Though dead they live in our thoughts and in the hearts of men made better by their deeds. There are nobler monuments than those of bronze and marble; there is a higher distinction than that won on the battlefield for deeds of valor; there are grander deeds than the sinking of an enemy's fleets or the capture of a conquered foe, and better than all earthly fame is the undying immortality of those who are remembered for the good that they have done by their wise and generous benefactions.

In accordance with the suggestion of the President we recommend the continuation of the committee on the North Carolina Avenue Church, and the reappointment of those persons now constituting the committee. We also recommend that the Fairview Church property be sold.

We approve the recommendation that the Conference Rules of Order be so changed as to direct the pastors to send the names of delegates to the President of the Conference and to the pastor of the church where the Conference is to be entertained immediately after the election of the same.

We also approve the recommendation that the Rules of Order be so changed as to make the Secretary and two persons to be named by the President a Committee on Publication of Minutes.

J. W. BALDERSTON,
J. F. WOODEN,
W. H. MYERS, Jr.

Supplementary Report of the Committee on President's Report.

We recommend that that part of the Report which refers to Sabbath Schools be referred to the Committee on Sabbath Schools.

We recommend that that part of the Report which refers to Christian Endeavor Conventions be referred to the Committee on Christian Endeavor.

We are pleased to learn of the formation of a choir composed of members of this body for service in the religious meetings held during the Conference sessions, and recommend that recognition be given to this organization as a Conference choir.

We also recommend that the books purchased for use in the services be paid for by this Conference by public collection.

J. W. BALDERSTON,
J. F. WOODEN,
W. H. MYERS, Jr.

Report F.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Your Committee on Credentials beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the credentials of the delegates, one hundred and twenty-nine in number, and find all correct in form. We also find that Rev. N. T. Meginniss is the delegate-elect from the North Baltimore Station, and as the Electoral College is to meet at this session of Conference, we find that according to Article VIII, Section 3, of the Constitution, Brother Meginness is not eligible as a delegate at this session of Conference.

(Signed), S. A. HOBLITZELL,
R. S. GRIFFITH,
D. L. FARRAR.

Report G.

REPORT OF THE HOME FOR THE AGED OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH.

The lady managers of the Home for the Aged, beg leave to submit the following report of the Home for the past conference year:

Amount in hands of treasurer, April 1899	$ 23 67
Amount received from conference collections	591 65
Amount received from private donations	55 00
	$ 670 32
Amount for current expenses during the year	$ 582 15
Balance in hands of treasurer	88 17
	$ 670 32

Of the above amount, I make special mention of $5.35 from Hampden Station, Rev. W. J. Neepier, unintentionally ommitted from last years report.

MRS. E. O. GRIMES, *President.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE HOME.

Amount in hand of treasurer—permanent fund, April 1899	$1,025 02
Amount received during the year, permanent fund	8 00
	$1,033 02
Amount expended for bath-room and other improvements	$ 121 67
Balance in hands of Treasurer	910 35
	$1,032 02

J. W. HERING, *Treasurer.*

Report H.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

We report that the Trustees are F. T. Little, S. J. Smith, Joseph H. Elliott and C. A. Benjamin, whose terms expire in 1901.

J. L. Mills, J. M. Sheridan, Roland Watts and T. A. Murray, whose terms expire in 1902.

J. D. Kinzer, A. W. Mather, Daniel Baker and John G. Clarke, whose terms expire at this conference.

J. L. MILLS, *President of the Board.*

Report I.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL REPORTS.

Your Committee on Official Reports begs leave to submit the following report:

Your Committee understands that the Conference desires the information that has come in reference to furnishing Disciplines and the incorporation of Boards of Trustees, without accompanying explanation. We therefore report the following:

Easton—No response as to Disciplines. Reliance—Part of Trustees incorporated. Talbot—No response as to Disciplines or Trustees. Felton—Refused as to Trustees; Disciplines; yes and no. Frederica—Refused to incorporate Trustees. Nichol's Memorial—Trustees not incorporated. Hurlocks—Trustees; one incorporated, others not. Pocomoke—Think it unnecessary to incorporate. Chincoteague—Trustees; no—not clear title to land. Union—Trustees; declined. Amelia—Trustees; not think necessary. Fairfield—Trustees; no, but urged. Holly Run—Trustees; partly. Bedford—Trustees; not desired. Caroline—Stewards refused Disciplines. 2d Church, Wilmington—Trustees; not think necessary—Disciplines; no answer. Lynchburg—No answer as to Disciplines. Mt. Tabor—No answer as to Disciplines. Payson Street—No answer as to Disciplines. Kemptown—No answer as to Diciplines or Trustees. Cecil—No answer as to Disciplines. Dorchester—As to Trustees; did not seem to want it. Conquest—As to Trustees; no answer. Mt. Nebo—As to Trustees; will not. Grove—As to Trustees; do not desire. Powellsville—As to Disciplines; no. Concord—As to Trustees; will not have it. Liberty—Disciplines; no—Trustees, not ascertained. Warwick—Trustees; declined. Frederick—Trustees; all but one—they object. Accomac—Disciplines and Trustees; no answer. Howard—As to Trustees; no.

Deer Park—No answer as to Disciplines. Milville—As to Trustees; no answer. Quantico—Disciplines; no answer—Trustees; one has, others neglect. H. E. Nelson desires to be left without an appointment.

J. E. NICHOLSON,
W. W. WHITE,
T. H. WRIGHT,
W. E. SHEPPARD,
O. M. ONG.

Your committee on Official Report, begs leave to submit the following supplementary report. We find that seventy-eight charges have failed to raise their assessment in full, and whilst some have come very near the standard, others have returned lamentably small sums. Frederica reports no collections except for president's salary. G. D. Edmonston desires to be left without an appointment.

J. E. NICHOLSON,
T. H. WRIGHT,
W. E. SHEPPARD.

Report J.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CAMP MEETING.

Your committee, to whom was referred the resolution offered by J. L. Straughn, beg leave to report as follows:

We recommend that the fifth item of the Camp-meeting regulations be rescinded and the following adopted in its place:

"5. Upon receiving from a quarterly conference a request for ministerial supply and a pledge that the above regulations will be faithfully observed, the President of the Annual Conference shall appoint members of this Conference to assist in conducting the camp meeting.

"In the absence of a request and a pledge such as are named above, the President shall not appoint such ministerial supply, nor shall any member of this Conference conduct such camp meeting as pastor.

"Appointees to camp-meeting service must be given four weeks' notice of their appointment. If they find it inconvenient to attend they shall promptly present their excuse to the President. If the President declines to revoke their appointment, a failure to attend shall be reported to this Conference by the President.

T. H. LEWIS,
J. L. STRAUGHN.
JOHN MASON.

Report K.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PAPERS FROM PRESIDENT

Concerning the papers from certain members of "a Methodist Protestant Church," referred to us, we report that it contains nothing which can be properly considered by this Conference.

J. W. TROUT,
H. L. ELDERDICE,
WM. B. USILTON.

Report L.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON BALTIMORE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society, beg leave to submit the following recommendations:

We are pleased to learn of the prosperity of the churches under the care of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society and recommend that Waverly and Bethany be continued under the supervision of said Society.

We are also gratified to learn of the splendid progress of North Baltimore Church. We believe that church no longer needs the assistance of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society, and we recommend that the said Society be relieved of all responsibility for the payment of ground rent on North Baltimore Church. Said ground rent is paid to January 1, 1900.

In view of the possibility of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society liquidating its debt of $1,100.00, we recommend that the claim of $400.00 held by the Maryland Conference Church Extension Society be cancelled. The said Baltimore City Church Extension Society to comply with conditions mentioned in its report to this Conference, viz., to raise remainder of its debt of $700.00 within 60 days from rise of Conference, and to contract no more debts and build no more churches on leasehold ground.

J. D. KINZER, *Chairman.*
L. F. WARNER.

RERORT OF THE BALTIMORE CITY CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

In making our annual report to you we are gratified to state that the past year has been one of reasonable prosperity in the work of our Society. The churches under our care, Waverly and Bethany, have made at least average progress. Peace and harmony have prevailed in both churches. The congregations at Waverly have been uniformly good. They report a Sunday School of 250 scholars, a Christian Endeavor Society of 35 members, and a Junior C. E. Society of 75 members.

There have been 56 conversions and 52 members added to the church during the year.

Improvements have been added amounting to $150.00, all of which is paid for. Rev. J. F. Bryan has been industrious and faithful in his work.

Bethany reports 6 conversions and 5 members received.

Improvements to the amount of $300.00 have been made, all of which is paid for but $35.00.

The church now presents a neat and attractive appearance, and the work done reflects credit on the pastor, Rev. George W. Hines.

Our Society has been retarded in extending its work by the lack of funds. The decrease in the Conference appropriations and the many other local interests preventing us from securing money, have both lessened our income.

It will be gratifying to the Conference as well as the whole Maryland District to learn of the splendid progress made at North Baltimore. The constantly increasing congregations and additions to the membership, particularly of our own people, who are locating in that part of the city, give every assurance, at an early day, of a church in numerical and financial strength second to none of our churches in Baltimore.

The ground rent on this church has been paid to January 1, 1900.

At the Annual Meeting of the Society held January 8, 1900, a resolution was passed to the effect that North Baltimore Church and the Maryland Annual Conference both be notified that this Society can not be responsible for said ground rent after the above named date, viz. January 1, 1900.

This action was taken after a careful consideration of the financial condition of the Society, which plainly showed there would be no available funds with which to make further payment.

This Society owes $1,100.00. The Maryland Conference Church Extension Society holds a claim of $400.00 of this amount.

We respectfully make to the Conference this proposition: That if the Maryland Conference Church Extension Society will release the Baltimore City Church Extension Society from this claim, said Society will obligate itself to raise the balance of indebtedness of $700.00 within sixty days from the rise of this Conference, and thus wipe out this long-standing debt which has so greatly hindered the work and progress of the Society.

We further promise that this Society will contract no more debts, and will build no more churches on leasehold ground. We believe that with all debts paid, and with this new departure there is a field of great promise and usefulness for this Society in planting new churches in parts of the City of Baltimore now being rapidly built up and to which our own people are moving.

We request that this report be referred to a Special Committee.

J. M. SHERIDAN, *President.*

Application Blank for Aid from the Church Extension Society.

1. Name of charge.
2. Name of pastor.
3. Name of delegate.
4. Number of members.
5. How many conversions during the year?
6. How many accessions during the year?
7. How many Sunday school scholars?
8. Have you a Christian Endeavor Society?
9. What plan have you for raising money?
10. How long will you need aid?

11. Has your charge a parsonage?
12. Is the parsonage furnished?
13. How much did you pay on salary this year?
14. How much will you pay next year?
15. Amount of appropriation last year?
16. Amount applied for now?
17. How long has your charge been receiving aid?
18. What is the amount of your indebtedness?

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH EXTENSION.

Your Committee has carefully considered all interests involved, and make the following resolutions:

Boundaries.

First.—Accomac and Grant Memorial constitute a charge.

Second.—Parksley and Hunting Creek constitute a circuit, and be called Parksley Circuit.

Third.—Clinton Avenue, N. J., be recognized as a charge, and be placed under the supervision of Newark, N. J., Church.

Fourth.—That the requests of Clayton and Crumpton be not granted.

Fifth.—That Wakefield be attached to Fairfax.

Sixth.—That the name of Remington be changed to Keen Memorial.

Seventh.—That Oak Grove be attached to Waltersville.

Eighth.—That Nassawango be detached from Pocomoke Circuit and attached to Snow Hill, and that Quinton be detached from Pocomoke City and be attached to Pocomoke Circuit.

Ninth.—That Chester, Pa., be placed in the hands of the President to be recognized if in his judgment it is wise.

Tenth.—That the name of Fairfield be changed to Heathsville Charge.

Eleventh.—That the name of Holly Run be changed to Marley.

Twelfth.—That Montgomery charge be left in the hands of the President.

Appropriations.

We have in hand to be appropriated $2,890.00, and recommend the following distribution, to wit:

Accomac, $75; Clinton Avenue, $100; Crumpton, $30; Broadway, on condition they pay $500 on debt, $375; Cumberland, $200; Christ Church, $150; Denton, $100; Lawsonia, $100; Millville, $100; Mt. Nebo, $50; Middleway, $100; North Baltimore, $632 this year only, provided the entire debt of the church be paid this year; North Carolina Avenue, placed in the hands of Committee, $500; Quantico, $100; Reliance, $40; St. Michael's, $40; St. Luke's, on debt, provided that church raises the same amount for a like purpose, $300; Second Church, Wilmington, to pay interest, $100; Wicomico, $85; Wye, $50; Frederica, $50.

We recommend that the money promised Eldorado Church be placed in the hands of the President for adjustment.

We also recommend that $4,000 be assessed on the district.

Respectfully submitted,

B. P. TRUITT, *Chairman.*

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

The Church Extension Society met on Tuesday afternoon at 5.20, and was called to order by Rev. J. T. Lassell.

Report of Treasurer called, the Society proceeded to the election of officers, which are as follows:

President, J. T. Lassell; First Vice-President, S. B. Tredway; Second Vice-President, A. W. Mather; Secretary-Treasurer, T. H. Bartlett.

Board of Managers—F. T. Little, J. S. Bowers, W. J. Neepier, J. M. Sheridan, W. J. C. Dulany, J. N. Gilbert, T. A. Murray, T. H. Bartlett.

A motion was made to adjourn to meet at the call of the President. Motion carried. Society adjourned.

TUESDAY MORNING, April 11, 1900.

Church Extension Society called to order by President J. T. Lassell. Treasurer's report was read and adopted.

Motion to adjourn carried. W. M. POISAL, *Secretary*.

1889.	*Receipts.*		
Sept. 23	Received of Rev. J. H. Ewell	$26 00	
Nov. 18	" " J. E. Maloy	8 00	
	" " W. R. Graham	12 00	
1900.			
Jan. 23	Received of Rev. N. T. Meginniss	35 00	
Feb. 5	" " H. F. Wright	21 00	
Mch. 4	" " J. M. Holmes	91 00	
Mch. 6	" " W. M. Strayer	72 00	
Mch. 14	" " J. McLain Brown	20 00	
Mch. 14	" " S. J. Smith	35 00	
Mch. 21	" " H. S. Leas, Fairfax Circuit	14 00	
	Total from charges		$334 00
1899.			
June 22	From Rev. S. B. Tredway on account of Loan to Belair Church	$200 00	
	Interest on Loan	20 00	
			$220 00
1899.	*Disbursements.*		
Aug. 2	To Rev. J. M. Holmes for interest on Broadway Church debt	$ 47 13	
Nov. 9	To Rev. W. S. Hammoud for interest on Broadway Church debt	100 00	
1900.			
Feb. 13	To Rev. W. S. Hammond for interest on Broadway Church debt	98 43	
	Total		$245 56
	Balance in hand		88 44
			$334 00

Bank Account (Maryland Savings Bank).

1899. April 1	To balance	$107 85	
April 1	Interest on deposits	24 02	
June 26	Deposited	220 00	
1900. Mch. 31	Balance		$351 87

We have audited Treasurer's report and find it correct according to this paper and bank book.

JARRETT S. GILBERT,
JOHN S. BOWERS.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION STEWARD TO THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Charges.	*Assessed.*	*Paid.*	*Charges.*	*Assessed.*	*Paid.*
Accomac	$53 00	$53 00	Delta	$32 00	$5 00
Amelia	26 00	6 00	Dorchester	35 00	20 00
Alexandria	44 00	25 75	Dover	18 00	7 25
Alnutt Mem	91 00	91 00	Denton	9 00	9 00
Baltimore	32 00	15 00	East Baltimore	61 00	50 00
Beaver Dam	14 00	3 00	Easton	61 00	110 00
Bedford	44 00	20 00	Elizabeth	61 00	24 00
Belair	44 00	29 00	Eutaw	32 00	20 00
Broadway	35 00	35 00	Evergreen	9 00	2 50
Bethany	18 00	4 50	Fairfax	14 00	14 00
Brooklyn	26 00	20 00	Fawn Grove	35 00	17 00
Cambridge	44 00	30 00	Fairview	14 00	.....
Caroline	44 00	30 00	Finksburg	35 00	35 00
Campbell	18 00	.....	First Church	44 00	28 00
Cecil	44 00	21 00	Franklin City	35 00	20 00
Central	44 00	51 00	Frederick	35 00	24 00
Centreville	35 00	35 00	Felton	32 00	10 00
Chesapeake	32 00	32 00	Frederica	18 00	.....
Chestertown	73 50	73 50	Fairfields	26 00	25 00
Christ Church	9 00	9 00	Georgetown, D. C.	88 00	88 00
Clayton	35 00	23 00	Georgetown, Del	26 00	26 00
Concord	35 00	17 00	Grove	32 00	11 20
Conquest	32 00	10 00	Greenwood	32 00	32 00
Crisfield	53 00	53 00	Georgetown, Ct	18 00	11 75
Crumpton	21 00	8 00	Hampden	53 00	53 00
Cumberland	32 00	10 00	Harper's Ferry	26 00	4 00
Chincoteague	18 00	16 00	Harrington	35 00	17 00
Delmar	35 00	17 00	Howard	32 00	32 00
Deer Creek	21 00	14 00			
Deer Park	26 00	1 00			

Charges.	*Assessed.*	*Paid.*	*Charges.*	*Assessed.*	*Paid.*
Hurlock	$18 00	$18 00	Quantico	$21 00	$10 00
Holly Run	26 00	5 00	Queen Anne	21 00	11 50
Jefferson	72 00	72 00	Reliance	21 00	21 00
Kennedyville	26 00	18 00	Rowlandville	21 00	8 00
Kemptown	32 00	20 00	Remington	21 00	2 00
Kent Island	32 00	28 00	St. James'	44 00	44 00
Laurel, Del.	55 00	55 00	St. John's (Canton)	18 00	6 00
Leipsic	14 00	4 25	St. Michael's	26 00	26 00
Lewistown	14 00	.....	St. Luke's	44 00	6 00
Liberty	35 00	30 00	Salisbury	35 00	35 00
Lisbon	44 00	44 00	Seaford	35 00	35 00
Lynchburg	44 00	5 00	Snow Hill	32 00	19 00
Lawsonia	.....	.....	Salem	21 00	14 00
Mariners'	35 00	35 00	South Balto	35 00	20 00
Mardela	18 00	1 00	Starr	88 00	40 00
Middleway	18 00	10 00	Stewartstown	32 00	15 00
Milton	18 00	16 00	Susquehanna	44 00	44 00
Millville	18 00	3 00	Sussex	35 00	30 76
Mt. Tabor	35 00	22 00	Talbot	18 00	5 00
Mt. Nebo	21 00	2 50	Trinity	44 00	44 00
Montgomery	9 00	2 00	Tyreeanna	9 00	.....
Newark	88 00	50 00	Union	44 00	22 00
N. C. Ave	32 00	43 00	Union Bridge	35 00	35 00
New Market	44 00	20 20	Violetsville	9 00	8 00
North Balto	35 00	35 00	Warwick	26 00	5 00
Nichols' Mem.	9 00	9 00	Waltersville	26 00	26 00
Oxford	35 00	35 00	Waverly	14 00	4 00
Oak Grove	26 00	14 00	W. Baltimore	88 00	88 00
Prince George, Va.	9 00	4 00	Westminster	78 75	37 65
Pipe Creek	35 00	35 00	Williamsport	14 00	25
Pittsville	21 00	21 00	Wilmington	18 00	9 00
Pocomoke	26 00	5 75	W. Wilmington	14 00	4 00
Pocomoke City	72 00	72 00	Wye	18 00	18 00
Powellsville	26 00	26 00	Wicomico	18 00	17 00
Patapsco	9 00	9 00	St. John's (Ind.)	.....	15 00
Payson St.	18 00	5 00			
Potomac	26 00	26 00		$4,189 25	$2,974 31

CHURCH EXTENSION REPORT.

Summary.

Amount assessed		$4,189 25
Amount appropriated 1899 and 1900	$3,235 00	
Amount appropriated, less than assessed	8 63	
Back pay	945 62	
		4,189 25

Funds for Distribution.

From assessment	$2,567 31	
Annual dues	95 00	
T. H. Bartlett, above receipts	161 44	
A. Donovan, ex-steward	3 10	
		$2,826 85

Less Amount Paid.

J. M. Holmes, balance Broadway Church	$ 4 44	
F. T. Little, Baltimore City Church Ext.	450 00	
N. C. Ave., J. N. Warfield	500 00	
A. Donovan, expenses for four years	2 02	
		956 46
Amount to be distributed		$1,870 39

Deficiencies of Last Conference.

Cumberland—J. M. Yingling	$30 97	
Crumpton—G. D. Edmonston	12 39	
Christ Church—W. H. Litsinger	61 93	
Caroline—C. E. Dryden	41 29	
Conf. Evangelist—J. M. Brown	165 16	
Evergreen—E. P. Perry	51 62	
Fairfax—H. F. Wright	20 65	
Frederica—W. O. Livingston	20 65	
Middleway—A. H. Green	28 91	
N. C. Ave.—R. S. Rowe	206 45	
North Baltimore—A. N. Ward	41 29	
Parksley—E. D. Stone	41 29	
Powellville—G. A. Morris	18 59	
Potomac—J. W. Norris	28 91	
Quantico—A. A. Bichell	41 29	
Reliance—A. D. Dick	18 59	
Seaford, S. J. Smith	41 29	
St. Michaels—S. A. Hoblitzell	14 46	
Talbot, C. L. Daugherty	18 59	
Second Church, Wilmington—F. A. Holland	20 65	
Wye—J. F. Wooden	20 65	
		$945 62
Amount for distribution April 10th, 1900		$924 77

	Promised.	Paid.	Due.
Cumberland—J. M. Yingling	$250 00	$113 60	$136 40
Christ Church—W. H. Litsinger	150 00	68 16	81 84
Crumpton—Elmer Simpson	30 00	13 63	16 37
Denton—J. M. Dickey	150 00	68 16	81 84
Eldorado—A. D. Melvin	180 00	81 79	98 21
Fairfax—H. S. Leas	45 00	20 44	24 56
Frederica—G. J. Smith	100 00	45 44	54 56
Lawsonia—T. R. Woodford	100 00	45 44	54 56
Millville—B. F. Ruly	100 00	45 44	54 56
Middleway—A. H. Green	100 00	45 44	54 56
North Baltimore—F. H. Lewis	200 00	90 88	109 12
Nichols' Memorial—A. A. Bichell	150 00	68 16	81 84
Powellville—G. A. Morris	30 00	13 63	16 37
Quantico—F. L. Stevens	100 00	45 44	54 56
Reliance—H. F. Wright	45 00	20 44	24 56
Remington—H. O. Keen	25 00	11 36	13 64
Seaford—J. W. Balderston	50 00	22 72	27 28
St. Michaels—S. A. Hoblitzell	35 00	15 90	19 10
Talbot—C. L. Daugherty	45 00	20 44	24 56
Wicomico—F. A. Holland	100 00	45 44	54 56
Wye—J. F. Wooden	50 00	22 72	27 28
Total	$2,035 00	$924 67	$1,110 33

Total amount for distribution	$924 77
Total amount distributed	924 67
	10

Per centum 45 44-100.

Respectfully submitted,

E. S. FOOKS, *Church Extension Steward.*

Report M.

REPORT OF THE FACULTY OF INSTRUCTION.

The faculty submits the following partial report:

We recommend that Charles M. Compher, James Lawrence Nichols, Frederick Phillips, William N. Sherwood, E. P. Perry and E. H. Jones be received on trial.

We recommend George Joseph Hooker to go to the Seminary.

We decline to recommend the reception on trial of Henry Lane Murphy.

We have received Richard Shipley as a student under the care of the faculty.

We report that of the third year class W. A. Melvin, W. O. Livingston, E. T. Read, C. L. Dougherty and J. L. Ward were marked 100 each in Church History, and being passed in the other studies, were passed through the course.

Of the second year's class J. M. Dickey was marked 100 in Theology and 100 in Church History, and with A. A. Bichel was passed into the third year class.

Of the first year class George E. Brown, H. Clay Hall and C. M. Compher were continued.

H. S. Lease, B. F. Ruley, W. M. Sherwood, T. R. Woodford and C. M. Zepp were passed into the second year class.

E. P. Perry passed except in Theology.

E. A. Sexsmith and Roby F. Day, students at the Seminary, having made request to be permitted to go to western conferences, we recommend that their request be granted.

We recommend James D. Smith and Wm L. Hoffman to the Board of Ministerial Education for aid.

We recommend that E. H. Jones be placed in the first year class.

We recommend for ordination C. J. Burdette, T. R. Woodford, Hammond S. Leas, J. M. Dickey, C. M. Zepp and B. F. Ruley, they being required to take the usual pledge in open conference to pursue the course of study from year to year until passed through by the faculty.

S. B. SOUTHERLAND, *President of Faculty.*

Report N.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to report the following:

The chief peril and curse of our so-called Christian nation today is the saloon. The saloon rules the majority of our great cities. The cities rule the nation.

The saloon business, in all its forms and phases of character, is undoubtedly the greatest foe to domestic peace, social order and public prosperity.

These indictments, dark and forboding as they are, are not overdrawn, as is evident to all who have but casually examined the doings of the blasting, blighting and ruinous business of the liquor traffic. Viewed from every point, the liquor business is our greatest danger.

The saloon business is not only the most fearful waste of this or any other land, but the greatest curse known to Christian civilization.

The most solemn and terrible woes of God's Word are against the wickedness of the drink evil, which declares that no drunkard shall inherit the Kingdom of Heaven.

Your Committee deplores the continuation of the "army canteen," which is nothing less than a beer and whisky saloon in the encampments of our soldiers, and the attitude toward the same as taken by the President of the United States, Wm. McKinley, in that the decision of Attorney-General Griggs should stand, notwithstanding the petitions and pleadings of hundreds of thousands of our countrymen, and the decision of the United States Congress against the canteen system; and by so doing taking upon himself the responsibility for whatever of drunkenness may result therefrom.

In said decision, the President of the United States, who is Commander-

in-Chief of the army and navy, and therefore having power to use his authority in the removing of the said canteen system, and persistently refusing to use such power, merits the censure of the temperance and Christian people throughout our entire land.

The saloon exists by the permission of law. That which is necessary to its overthrow is to put the huge machine called "Government" against it. In all countries the clergy or ministers of the Gospel is the largest single force for the moulding of public opinion and the controlling of public action:

Therefore be it resolved, That in order to OBTAIN and RETAIN our supremacy over the saloon, we must present a united front to the enemy. We may have our differences, but let us NOT be divided on this most important issue of this generation.

Resolved further, That while the churches as such need not declare for any political party, they ought to declare that church members, as individuals, should support no political party which does not declare itself against the saloon. In this we express our fidelity to conviction and duty.

It is a well-known fact that no plan or method is worth anything unless it be reduced to practice. The only successful way of dealing with the saloon is that given in the word of God, viz: To take it up by the roots.

The conclusion of the *London Times* is irresistible, which is that "we must somehow end this evil or it will end us."

Dear Brethren of the Conference: We must end the saloon by ending the law which makes possible the saloon.

In the name of Jesus Christ as King, the saloon OUGHT to go—and MUST go. Your committee would most sincerely call attention to the declaration of the General Conference, prohibiting our members from signing liquor dealers' petitions, or in any other manner giving aid or sanction to the traffic; and where they persist in the same, after being duly admonished, should be dealt with according to the law of the church governing such conduct.

We most heartily commend the noble and heroic efforts of the "National Christian Citizenship and Anti-Saloon Leagues," the splendid and persistent efforts of the Women's Christian Temperance Union in their many departments of work, the Loyal Legion, and all other similar organizations whose end is the overthrow of the saloon.

We recommend that our ministers of the Gospel preach at stated times during the year upon the subject of temperance, and use their influence in the Sunday-schools and Christian Endeavor Societies toward faithfully teaching the subject of temperance and seeing to it that the temperance topics in the regular course of lessons be faithfully used.

We give our hearty endorsement to the plan of the temperance service, which is held annually at the place of the Annual Conference, and hope the same may be continued.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

F. H. MULLINEAUX, *Chairman.*

Report O.

REPORT OF STEWARD FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Amount assessed	$2,862 80
Received on assessment	1,931 76
Deficient on assessment	$931 04
Received for Children's Day Fund	$2,665 43
Received for Womens Foreign Missionary Society	1,155 42
Received for specials	268 97
Total received for Foreign Missions	$6,021 60
Total received for Missions last year	6,581 07
Decrease	$540 53

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

The following report is respectfully submitted by your Committee on Missions:

Official statements have been made to your committee by the president of the Board of Home Missions, Rev. W. M. Strayer, and by the secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, Rev. T. J. Ogburn. Due consideration has also been given to Rev. E. H. Van Dyke's letter and the papers referred to your committee.

State of Work.

Home Missions—The work of Home Missions is improving, but it is seriously hindered by lack of funds, and the failure of pastors to take the collection for this cause early in the Conference year, and promptly forward the same. The Board has recently secured a fee simple guarantee to all our church property, consisting of four churches and one parsonage, in Seattle, Washington. There are other pleasing evidences of prosperity in our broad field of Home Missions, and the executive conduct of the work is altogether satisfactory.

Foreign Missions—It is noted with extraordinary interest that the Japan Mission Conference, now in its ninth annual session at Shizuoka, will report an encouraging increase in membership, sixty-two persons having joined our churches there in six months. We have six missionaries and sixteen native helpers, and they are all efficient and successful. Their work and influence as witnessed and reported by Rev. Dr. F. E. Clark, President of United Society of Christian Endeavors, in an article published in the *Methodist Protestant* of April 5, 1900, is particularly gratifying. The writer says of Brother U. S. Murphy: "Mr. Murphy is doing a unique work for the Mikado's Empire. He has enlisted in the cause of social purity, and is known throughout Japan as the most valiant fighter for the cause of Japan's unfortunate daughters." Brother Murphy ought

to have the sympathy and prayers of our church, while he suffers "persecution for righteousness' sake." The prohibition in Japan of all religious instructions in schools claiming governmental recognition and privileges is sadly disappointing to all Mission teachers, who had hoped the new treaty which went into effect July 17, 1899, would remove restrictions hitherto interfering with schools which did not teach the government course. The accession of Rev. J. W. Frank and his wife to the ranks of our missionaries was timely; and subsequent developments have proved the wisdom of the Board in sending these faithful servants of God to the foreign field. Rev. G. Maruyama, a native missionary, will come to America next May and remain until November, for the purpose of visiting our churches in the interest of foreign missions. The increase of nearly $1,500.00 in the receipts of the Board for the past year, over those of the year immediately preceding it, is cause for gratitude; but the fact that there have been smaller receipts through bequests, etc., has reduced the income below the amount of expenditures, and, therefore, calls for unusual generosity everywhere. The work of the W. F. M. S. continues with exemplary zeal and characteristic faithfulness. It deserves and should receive the hearty support of our people and pastors. It is with profound pleasure that your committee observes that Miss Lawrence is now establishing work in China. These are our recommendations:

First—We recommend that pastors make an extra effort to raise the assessment in full for Home Mission early in the Conference year, and immediately forward the same to the treasurer of that Board.

Second—We recommend that special efforts be put forth to increase contributions to the work of Foreign Missions, and that Rev. G. Maruyama be cordially received by our churches and pastors, and heard wherever he may wish to speak in the interest of the cause represented by him.

Third—We recommend that Children's Day be observed by all our Sunday schools, and that the money received on this occasion be exclusively devoted to Children's Day offering for the work of Foreign Missions.

Fourth—We recommend that the Ecumenical Conference on Foreign Missions to be held in New York city, April 21 to May 1, be given our earnest prayers and material support.

Fifth—We recommend that the reports of the Maryland and the Washington and the Alexandria branches of the W. F. M. S. be printed in the minutes of this Conference.

Sixth—We recommend that special prayers be offered for the recovery of Brother Smith, who is still suffering of illness resulting from his labors in Japan.

L. R. DYOTT, *Chairman*,
W. L. PHILLIPS,
JOHN G. SHEPPARD,
E. J. BLAIN,
F. H. LEWIS,
A. E. TULL.

REPORT OF MARYLAND BRANCH WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Maryland Branch Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Methodist Protestant Church, send greetings and prayers for God's special blessing on the Maryland Annual Conference, Methodist Protestant Church, Westminster, Md., April, 1900.

We are still marching on, trusting our Master for results.

We regret that the Maryland Branch is not as fully organized as it should be. Of about 110 appointments, only thirty have auxiliaries to the Woman's Society. Allowing one-half or fifty-five of these not to be in a position to have an auxiliary, that would leave a balance of fifty-five appointments, on which we ought to be organized. What a vast amount of good would be accomplished. It is not unreasonable to petition the Ministers of the Conference to become active along our line of work.

The Branch has been sorely bereaved by the going away from us of Rev. J. T. Murray. He is missed so much, but has only "gone before," and it is our privilege to meet again. He was deeply interested in our work and remembered us with a legacy of $500. Thus he helps the good work to go on while he rests with God.

Work in Japan is continuing, with prospects of an abundant harvest.

Our entering China has been accompanied with the blessing of our Father. Total receipts to date $1,441.91.

Respectfully,

KATE HUPFIELD,
Cor. Sec. Md. Br. W. F. M. S.

Baltimore, April 4, 1900.

Report P.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

Your committee, to whom was referred the paper on mutual relief, respectfully report that they have considered the matter presented in that paper, and they recommend as the best arrangement for carrying out the worthy design in view, that:

1. The Annual Conference, upon the adoption of this report, shall adjourn for the purpose of giving the ministerial members an opportunity to organize into a Mutual Relief Association, which shall have the same relation to this Conference as the Superannuated Fund Society. The President of the Conference shall be *ex-officio* President of the Association, and other officers shall be elected and the organization perfected by the adoption of the Constitution and By-Laws of the present Mutual Relief Association, with the exception that the fee in case of death of a member instead of being $5.10 shall be $1.00, and that instead of promising to pay all that can be collected from members the promise to pay shall be all collected less the cost of collecting it.

2. We recommend that in making this organization the names of all ministerial members be enrolled, unless they prohibit the same, and that the whole ministerial membership be regarded as holding membership until they shall order their names removed or refuse to pay on the death of a member.

3. We recommend that this shall apply also to those entering the Conference membership. Their names shall be entered by virtue of their conference membership, and they shall continue on the roll until they order their names erased or until they refuse to pay on the death of a member. But in both the above cases the Secretary shall inform them by letter of the fact that their names have been entered and upon what action of this Conference this has been done.

4. We recommend that members of the old Relief Association, who are widows and the wives of the members of this Conference, shall be eligible to membership on the same terms as the members of the Conference.

J. L. MILLS,
T. H. LEWIS,
F. C. KLEIN.

MUTUAL BENEFIT ASSOCIATION.

April 9, 1900.

First meeting of the Mutual Relief Association was held this afternoon. W. M. Strayer was elected president, *pro tem;* and the secretary of Conference, secretary *pro tem.*

Constitution was adopted item by item as a whole.

The following officers were elected: First vice-president, J. L. Mills; second vice-president, B. F. Benson; third vice-president, T. O. Crouse; and J. A. Wiegand, secretary-treasurer.

Meeting adjourned.

Report Q.

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE ON THE SUSTENTATION FUND.

The Board of Finance, having had at the last session of the Annual Conference referred to it the matter of the Sustentation Fund for the purpose of investigation and securing facts, desires to state that, after a careful and thorough examination of the question and the status of the Conference has been made, and the following report is presented:

All of our estimates are made on Reports of Conference Minutes of 1899, but not on the totals as therein given, as said totals are not correct.

Conference Roll 1899.

Number of Ministers receiving over $600 salary per year	47
" " not receiving over $600 salary per year	81
" superannuate Ministers	12
" supernumerary Ministers	2
" supplying other fields	7
" without appointments	2
President of Conference	1
Total	152

Beneficiaries.

Ministers and Preachers not receiving $600 salary per year		81
Of this number the following are *not entitled* to benefits—		
Single men	16	
Local men	5	
Widowers	2	
		23
Number entitled to benefits		58

Fifty-eight men at $600; salary per year would be entitled to receive		$34,800 00
They received in 1899—		
From salaries	$24,129 90	
From Conference appropriations	1,015 00	
		25,144 90
Amount required to bring salaries up to $600		$9,655 10

Sources of Revenue.

For Assessment Purposes.

Amount received by 47 men in 1899 (not entitled to benefits)		$37,203 00
" 58 " (entitled to benefits)		24,129 90
" 20 " (not entitled to benefits)		5,626 07
" President Conference and other fields of work		10,500 00
Total amount for assessment purposes		$77,458 97
One per cent. of above amount from Ministers	$ 774 59	
Amount necessary to assess the District to make up shortage to bring up all salaries to $600 would be 3¾ times the amount assessed for President's salary, viz: $2,370 00	8,887 50	
		9,662 09
Amount required to carry out proposed plans as before stated		$9,655 10

After a most careful and thorough investigation of this whole question, while we are in hearty sympathy with the increase of all salaries below six hundred dollars, we regret that we are compelled to submit the above information, without recommendation, for the reason that we are unable to devise any plans that we deem practicable.

J. M. SHERIDAN,
S. J. SMITH,
J. M. GILL,
N. T. MEGINNISS,
H. C. ROBERTS,
W. W. SMITH.

Report R.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ASSESSING GENERAL CONFERENCE EXPENSES.

Your committee appointed to assess amount upon the district for expenses of representatives to General Conference, recommend that the assessment upon the charges be at the rate of ten per cent. of the amount assessed for president's salary.

F. T. TAGG, *Chairman.*

Report S.

COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE.

Your Committee on Literature beg leave to report as follows:

1. *Book Directory.*

We have carefully examined the report of the Baltimore Book Directory submitted to us, and have had the pleasure of personal statements from those intimately connected with the business of the concern. We are sorry to learn that there is a slight decrease in the number of subscribers to the METHODIST PROTESTANT, in the Maryland district, and that the income of the directory from the sale of books and other sources are not as large as in former years.

The brethren of the board have met the situation with shrewd business intelligence and a wise system of retrenchments in the expense account, has reduced the deficit to a nominal figure. As a further means of retrenchment, we suggest that the credit system as applied to the subscribers to the METHODIST PROTESTANT be discontinued as far as possible. We believe that it is neither reasonable nor good business policy to continue the paper to a delinquent subscriber longer than six months after his subscription has expired.

We believe that the METHODIST PROTESTANT deserves, and has the right to expect, the hearty and enthusiastic support of every member of this Conference, and of the church at large. This universal support it is not receiving at present. We urge upon the ministry a more earnest insistence upon the fact that every loyal Methodist Protestant ought to be a reader of the official organ of the Methodist Protestant Church. In this connection your committee recommend that the discussion of the METHODIST PROTESTANT be made the "order of the day," for Thursday 3 P.M., next conference.

Your committee takes pleasure in affirming that the editor has maintained the paper at the high standard established for it by the intelligent and consecrated labor of the founders. In a manner at once fearless and forceful, he has brought to us from week to week the burning convictions of his soul—he has interpreted for us the great questions of the secular world in the light of their relation to the gospel of the cross, and has gathered around him a corps of contributors who have enlightened and inspired us by their fervent piety and cultured wisdom. We feel that in form, in typography, in the character of its contributors and in the spirit that animates it, the METHODIST PROTESTANT is eminently worthy as an exponent of the Gospel of Jesus Christ as proclaimed by the Methodist Protestant Church.

Our Sabbath School publications are still prospering, a large increase of circulation is noted for the present fiscal year. These publications are well-conducted, as good as the best, and "our own;" no other should be substituted for them in our Sabbath-schools. It has been our esteemed privilege to have with us at this session of the conference, the genial and cultured editor of these publications, Dr. C. E. Wilbur. We rejoice with him in the success of his labors.

2. *The Twentieth Century Fund.*

We have received the report of the agent of the Twentieth Century Fund, Rev. F. T. Tagg, D.D. We have carefully audited his accounts and find them correct. We record the gratitude we feel in the fact that this fund has already reached the total of $9,000, and that $3,480.50 of this amount has been received in cash.

The speedy completion of this work will settle, we believe, some of the questions that now vex us. The report of progress encourages us, but as not one-twentieth of our membership has yet contributed to this fund much remains to be done. We recommend that the present agent be continued, and every pulpit not yet visited, shall be freely opened to him for the statement of his cause. We further recommend that during the coming year, a day be set apart in every charge, that has not so far held such a service, for the holding of a Twentieth Century service, and that a card, such as is provided by the conference committee, be placed in the hand of every member, with an earnest solicitation that he make a contribution to the fund.

3. *Books.*

In regard to the communication from the Baltimore Preachers' Meeting, your committee is unanimous in its most hearty approval of the strong words of commendation therein concerning the "History of Methodist Reform," by the Rev. E. J. Drinkhouse, D.D. The book deserves a wider recognition than it has yet received. It is the product of a life-time of pains-taking research. It is the only accurate history of the Methodism of Wesley yet published in this country. Its facts are indisputable, its spirit kind, its style chaste, its mission world-wide. We especially commend to the conference the last resolution of the series submitted to us upon this subject.

Resolved, "That inasmuch as loyalty to the church depends not only upon our love for her blessed doctrines and precious songs, but upon an intelligent conception of her governmental polity as well, we, therefore, earnestly urge on all our ministers a careful study of this valuable book, and that in so far as they are able, to secure for it an entrance into the homes of all our laity, believing that this bread cast upon the waters will bring to us returns in loyalty, intelligence and thanksgiving, for citizenship in a church without a bishop, in a state without a king."

We also take pleasure in commending to the conference a pamphlet of reminiscence by Rev. Lawrence Webster Bates, D.D. Whatever comes to us from our venerable friend and brother, will always be joyfully received by us. For the love we bear him, which has grown fonder with the passing years, and for the wisdom that never fails to inspire his utterances, we welcome this new deliverance into our hearts and homes.

A book by Rev. David Wilson, M.D., entitled "Young Man's Chart Lessons for the Voyage of Life," is in our hands. This book is a valuable addition to our literature. In fitting and beautiful language, and with accomplished tact and strong thought, the author treats the career of a young man from the standpoint of long experience and tender affection. We agree with the statement in the preface to the book, "Every young man in the land should read it."

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. KINZER,
J. B. JONES,
F. T. BENSON,
W. B. USILTON,
W. M. JETT.
JOHN DODD.

We, the pastors of the Maryland Annual Conference, believing that the success of the METHODIST PROTESTANT is a vital necessity to our whole denomination, and that its importance as an assistant to the pastor in forwarding an intelligent interest in the work committed to us cannot be over estimated, do hereby cheerfully and voluntarily pledge ourselves to do our utmost during the ensuing year to introduce the paper into every family in our respective charges.

T. H. Lewis,
J. D. Kinzer,
D. L. Greenfield,
S. B. Tredway,
C. M. Cullum,
W. R. Graham,
J. L. Mills,
W. M. Strayer,
J. M. Holmes,
H. L. Elderdice,
J. M. Sheridan,
J. M. Gill,
Jno. S. Bowers,
J. W. Kirk,
Leo R. Donaldson,
H. E. Bennington,
W. J. Neepier,
G. F. Farring,
Louis Randall,
Howard L. Schlincke,
C. P. Nowlin,
F. T. Little,
Dorsey Blake,
Edgar T. Reed,
John H. S. Ewell,
E. H. Jones,
J. L. Straughn,
H. W. D. Johnson,
J. T. Lassell,
L. R. Dyott,
Jno. A. Wright,
Howard O. Keen,
Frank S. Cain,
R. K. Lewis,
B. F. Jester,
A. N. Ward,
S. F. Cassen,
A. H. Green,
G. A. Morris,
J. Earle Maloy,
B. P. Truitt,
G. Q. Bacchus,
J. W. Trout,
A. S. Beane,
Thos. O. Crouse,
J. W. Norris,
E. Bruce Taylor,
H. S. Leas,
B. F. Ruley,
J. L. Elderdice,
Elmer Simpson,
S. W. Coe,
G. W. Haddaway,
S. J. Smith,
Wm. H. Litsinger,
F. T. Benson,
W. M. Poisal,
D. W. Anstine,
T. H. Wright,
G. H. Stocksdale,
J. L. Ward,
J. F. Bryan,
A. A. Bichell,
L. A. Bennett,
H. F. Wright,
N. O. Gibson,
G. E. Brown,
J. W. Gray,
Emanuel Pearce,
E. D. Stone,
A. A. Harryman,
J. M. Yingling,
F. H. Mullineaux,
H. S. Johnson,
Fred C. Klein,
W. A. Melvin,
J. F. Wooden,
W. O. Livingston,
C. L. Daugherty,
J. W. Balderston,
W. B. Judefind,
J. E. Nicholson,
Avery Donovan,
J. B. Jones,
T. P. Revelle,
C. E. Dryden,
C. K. McCaslin,
Frank Holland,
B. W. Kindley,
E. C. Makosky,
W. S. Hammond,
J. E. T. Ewell,
Geo. Hines,
L. F. Warner,
C. M. Zepp,
J. McLain Brown,
J. W. Parris,
Geo. R. McCready,
C. E. McCullough,
W. J. Floyd,
G. M. Clayton,
W. S. Phillips,
S. A. Hoblitzell,
W. W. White,
J. M. Dickey,
A. W. Mather.

Report T.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS.

Your Committee on Fraternal Relations report the following:

Concerning the papers submitted to us we recommend—

That the request of St. John's Independent Methodist Churches for the loan of Rev. J. S. Bowers, as pastor for the ensuing year, be granted.

Also, that the request of the Board of General Home Missions, for the loan of Rev. T. P. Revelle for the present year, be granted.

We recommend that the loan of Rev. E. H. Van Dyke to the Board of Foreign Missions be continued.

We greet with pleasure Rev. C. L. Queen, fraternal messenger from the West Virginia Conference, and recommend that the President of this Conference appoint fraternal messengers to that body at its next session.

Inasmuch as the pastor and members of this church and the friends of Westminster have placed the Conference under many obligations for hospitable entertainment and for favors and attention which have contributed greatly to the comfort and pleasure of our sojourn in their midst, the Conference hereby tender to them its heartfelt thanks.

That the thanks of the Conference be extended to the Postmaster of this city for special favors provided in mail facilities, and also to Mr. Walter M. Graham for his efficient services as Conference postmaster.

We tender to the press of Westminster and of Baltimore City, for the publication of the proceedings of the session, our appreciative acknowledgement.

We desire especially to express our thanks to the President and Trustees of Western Maryland College for the use of "Alumni Hall," and the delightful reception given to the Conference and friends at the College.

That the railroads and steamboats giving reduced rates to the Conference receive our thanks for the same.

G. Q. BACCHUS.

Report U.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education submits the following:

We are deeply gratified to read the excellent results of the work of the year of Western Maryland College. Every year our hearts are gladdened with the announcement of new enterprises either begun or completed. Last year we were delighted with the story of the completion of Alumni Hall, and, as we have viewed the beautiful and imposing structure, we cannot but feel rejoiced in heart and elated in spirit that our college owns such a property. It is surely one of the best buildings of the kind in the State, and must, indeed, give great prestige to our educational cause. This year we have made to us the announcement of additional material improvements. The main building has been enlarged by constructing an

annex to Smith Hall, so that new school rooms, a new dormitory and especially a gymnasium for the girls have been provided. Is not this particularly gratifying? We enter heartily into the desire of the President for still another building, even a Library Building. We do not believe we have too many buildings on College Hill. Each new structure makes the sight more imposing, speaks of solidity, argues progress, advancement and success, and what is of particular importance, wins new students. The argument which clinches and decides many a wavering prospective student, is either the sight of a new building rising, or knowledge that it is going to rise. May our ears next conference be greeted with the declaration that the Library Building is a fact.

The student roll is evermore important in college life and history. We are glad to know that it compares so favorably with other years, but, because of its exceeding importance to the success of the college, it demands the serious attention of our conference. We urge upon pastors the importance of sending the names of possible students to the president, so that he may enter into correspondence with them or their parents. When we say possible student, we mean not only those who have reached the age to enter college, but those who are some years under such an age; for, if we can interest them in the college before they reach the age for entering, when they do attain the age, we shall have secured such a place in their good will, that our college will be selected in preference to others.

The report submitted by the Board of Governors of Westminster Theological Seminary gives to us much which is encouraging. Fourteen students are enrolled, and these fourteen come from widely separated parts of our country, which indicate the general interest taken in the Seminary The continued interest of local churches is indicated by the contributions for various specific purposes. Three churches this year have paid for the furnishing of rooms, and we express our earnest hope that local churches will seek to bind their interest to the Seminary by contributing to some specific enterprise of that institution.

The free scholarship feature of the work promises much. There are now six such scholarships, and when it is remembered that these scholarships are bestowed upon worthy students who would be compelled to leave the Seminary were it not for this help, we see how important they are, and the ground for congratulation that this feature is so promising. We regret to state that there is a deficiency in the seminary collection for thi year amounting to $268.87. We make the following recommendations:

1. That the request of the Board of Governors for the appointment of H. L. Elderdice to the presidency, and of B. F. Benson to a professorship for the ensuing year be granted.

2. That pastors bring before their churches and well-to-do laymen the need of establishing permanent free scholarships.

3. That pastors and stewards do their utmost to collect in full the seminary assessment, and forward the same before the end of the conference year.

4. That a collection be lifted at this session of the conference to meet the deficiency in the assessment for the year just ended.

5. That the secretary of the conference cast the ballot for the reappointment of L. W. Bates, J. D. Kinzer, J. M. Gill, J. W. Hering and W. J. C. Dulany as members of the Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary.

We have learned with extreme pleasure of the success of the Kansas City University; 375 students have been registered in the different departments. Of this number, 100 are in the literary department. There is one building completed; and $5,000 have been subscribed for a new building. The total value of the property is $200,000. The electric road from Kansas City has been finished, and now passes the college campus. The Western conferences are loyal to the university, and enthusiastic in its support. We call attention to this new educational institution as being of general church interest, and not purely local. We suggest that, if a representative of the university wishes to visit any of the charges in the interest of the university, pastors, in so far as it is possible, open the way for such a visit. Respectfully submitted,

J. W. KIRK, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE.

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

I present my fourteenth annual report of the condition and prospects of Western Maryland College.

In point of equipment and efficiency I think it cannot be doubted that the condition of the college is better than ever. During the vacation of last summer we spent nearly twelve thousand dollars in enlarging our buildings and providing new and better accomodations for students. We have fitted up new school rooms and a dormitory hall for preparatory students. A gymnasium for the special use of girls has been provided in the new annex to Smith Hall. The dining room has been enlarged to take in the whole floor of Smith Hall, and the kitchen, pantries and store-rooms removed to the new building. The Literary Societies have been transferred to their new rooms in Alumni Hall, and the rooms occupied formerly by them have been thrown together to make an ideal studio for the art department.

Our equipment has been increased by addition to the College Library, an additional piano, and a gift from Mrs. Ulie Norment Hurley, of Washington, D. C., has enabled us to place a new library in the Preparatory School of 600 volumes selected with reference to boy's reading solely.

But busy as these changes have kept us during the year, we have not been able to keep pace with the demands of the progressive growth of the institution. The college grows by what it feeds upon, and its appetite will never be appeased until it becomes moribund, which may the kind Providence which has so long protected it forbid. It sometimes excites

among the friends of the college a rather incredulous smile when I speak of the needs of the college. They suspect I lie awake at nights thinking up things to ask for, but this is so far from being the case that much as I pray for sleep sometimes, these demands come like sentinels about my bedside and will not suffer me to forget that I have not told the people about them, and they will not sleep. There is only one way to lay a college ghost, and that is to give it what it asks. I have exercised much patience and forborne to burden the Church with multiplied demands. One thing at a time is my motto; and now that Alumni Hall is completed and stands a noble motto to the love and generosity of the graduates and friends of the college, there is an opportunity to lay another great need before you. Besides this monument of the loyal sons and daughters of the college, we have another monument to the demands of physical culture, so that whoever enters the campus will see by this building that we care for the bodies of students. Another monument will show to visitors that we care for the souls of students, as they gaze upon the graceful pearl of our buildings, Baker Chapel. Now we want another monument, a monument to literature, the signature of the culture the college stands for as a whole. We want to place in the very center of all our attractive structures, a College Library Building. "This is the first time of asking."

Our student roll is well up to the mark of previous years, but we have room for more and we ought to fill our buildings. Our present faculty and our facilities could take care of fifty more students without increasing the expenses of the institution. I trust we may be able to carry forward a strenuous canvas this summer and increase materially our patronage for next year. To this end I solicit correspondence with our pastors and information from any source, to aid me in reaching prospective students.

There is no change to report in the financial status of the college. Our affairs are in good shape and ought not to give us any inconvenience. We are assured of the continued patronage of the State students. Our faculty are working together harmoniously, and our relations with students are pleasant. We desire nothing but opportunity, the co-operation of our friends and the continued favor of Heaven, to insure the success of the college. The first we cannot escape, the second we expect, and the third we pray for.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. LEWIS, *President.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE WESTMINSTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

To the Maryland Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN: The condition and prospect of the Westminster Theological Seminary are highly gratifying to all friends of the institution. Fourteen students are enrolled, seven of whom are college graduates; six of these are Western Maryland College alumni and one is an Adrian

alumnus. Ohio, New York, New Jersey, Missouri and West Virginia Conferences have each one student; North Carolina has three; and Maryland has six. Next Commencement, Frederick James Phillips, of Sharptown, Maryland, Edgar Adgate Sexsmith, of Antioch, Missouri, and James Lawrence Nichols, of Oxford, Maryland, will graduate with certificates; and Roby Franklin Day, A. B., of Damascus, Maryland, will graduate with the degree of Bachelor of Divinity.

The work of material improvement has been continued during the year. Mount Pleasant Church, Crisfield, has furnished a student's room for $25; and St James has done the same at a cost of $35. Mt. Lebanon contributed $26, for two iron tubs for the bath-room. Mrs. T. H. Lewis has donated six valuable pictures for the adornment of Ward Chapel. Halls have been painted, fruit and shade trees have been planted and other improvements made possible by the following contributions: Beavor Dam, $5.09; Deer Creek, $7.11; Georgetown, Delaware, $10; Milton, $11.04; Chesapeake, $20; Mrs. T. A. Reese, $50; and legacy from Mrs. S. E. Rawlings, Virginia, $30. Mrs. Rawling's local church was Ebenezer, North Carolina Conference.

The most promising feature of the year's work is the increase in free scholarships. Beneficiaries of the Board of Ministerial Education after spending four years in college graduate with a debt of about $500. To prevent the hardship of a heavier debt from which they could not free themselves for many years, the president of the seminary has made special effort to secure from churches and well-to-do laymen free scholarships of $100 annually. The result for this year is as follows: Trinity Church, $100; N. T. Meginniss, $100; Joseph D. Baker, $100; a Layman, $100; W. J. C. Dulany, $100; North Carolina Friends, $100. Lesser amounts have been given to aid needy students; but the donors modestly refuse to allow the publication of their names. It is the conviction of the seminary authorities that if this institution is to do the best possible work for the church, it must secure permanent free scholarships for college graduates.

The Board is pleased to announce that Dr. E. J. Drinkhouse continues his Prize for Extemporaneous Debate, and that two new ones have been founded, viz.: the Dr. J. W. Hering Hebrew Prize and the E. O. Grimes New Testament Greek Prize. The Special Course of Lectures has been of high standard and delivered by Revs. S. K. Spahr and R. T. Tyson, of the New York Conference; C. L. Queen, of the West Virginia Conference; Rev. P. H. Miller, of the Lutheran Church, Westminister; Dr. J. C. Berrien, of the Board of Ministerial Education; Professors Simpson and Watts, of Western Maryland College; and from the Maryland Conference Revs. S. B. Tredway, W. J. Neepier, J. M. Sheridan, C. S. Arnett, A. D. Melvin, J. B. Jones, Dr. D. L. Greenfield and Dr. J. L. Mills.

By the death of Dr. J. T. Murray the Board has lost one of its most active and judicious members. The vacancy has been filled by the election of Rev. J. M. Gill. The financial report shows that only $1,666.17 have been

paid on the $1,800 assessment, leaving a balance now due of $133.83 The Conference secretary reported $32.00 cash on the subscription to meet last year's deficiency; since received, $87.00, making a cash total of $119.00, with a balance on unpaid subscriptions of $28.00.

The Board respectfully presents the following requests:

1. The appointment of Hugh L. Elderdice to the Presidency, and B. F. Benson to a Professorship for the ensuing year.

2. That pastors bring before their churches and well-to-do laymen the need of establishing permanent free scholarships.

3. That pastors and stewards do their utmost to collect in full the seminary assessment and forward the same before the end of the Conference year.

4. That a collection be lifted to meet the deficiency in the assessment for the year just ended.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

Report V.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE.

The Board of Finance respectfully submits the following report:

We have examined the reports of the Secretary of the Conference and the Agent for the President's Parsonage with vouchers and found them correct.

We have examined the report of the Special Committee on North Carolina Avenue Church, and found it correct, as far as we were able to judge, the vouchers being in the hands of the lawyer in Washington.

We recommend that the President's salary for the ensuing year be $2,451.00

The Conference authorized the Board of Finance to make the following assessments on the district:

Conference Assessments	$ 450 00
Seminary	1,800 00
Ministerial Education	600 00
Superannuates	4,000 00
General Home Missions	1,500 00
Church Extensions	4,000 00

J. M. SHERIDAN, *Chairman.*

Report W.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

It is gratifying to note that the Annual Convention held in Alnutt Memorial Church, Baltimore, last February, and the Conference Rally held in Alumni Hall last Wednesday night were by far the most enthusiastic and successful of any like meetings in the history of our Conference Union.

We are pleased to report that 29 societies have pledged $845.00 of the

$2,000.00 assumed by the Maryland Conference Union for the Thank-Offering Fund. It is to be hoped that every society in the Conference will make a special contribution to the said fund by January 1, 1901. We recommend:

First—That the President of the Conference become an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee of the Conference C. E. Union.

Second—That our Conference hold a convention next February and that the Executive Committee make necessary arrengements for said convention.

Third—That Wednesday of the next session of the Conference be set apart for a C. E. Sunday school Rally.

Fourth—That the addresses of the corresponding secretaries and superintendents of Junior Societies be added after their names in the Christian Endeavor blanks on the pastor's reports.

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Your Committee on Christian Endeavor Work has carefully considered all matters coming before it and respectfully submits the following report:

Number of societies—Juniors, 48; Young People, 117; Senior, 2. A decrease in Junior Societies compared with last year, 7. An increase in Young People's Societies, 6. Two Senior Societies organized during the year.

Membership.—Juniors, active, associate and honorary, 2,027. Young People, active, associate and honorary, 4,774. Senior, active and associate 73; making a total membership of 6,874, a net increase compared with the report of last year of 590.

Number of meetings held during the year by all societies, 7,180, an increase over last year of 1,576.

Contributions for all purposes $3,495.91, of which amount $373.88 was contributed toward Foreign Missions.

Conversions during the year 201—60 more than last year.

While this report is not all that we could wish, as a whole, the Christian Endeavor work throughout the district is encouraging. On some of the charges the work is very gratifying indeed. In churches where the interest in Christian Endeavor is on the decline, and where we have no societies at all, we respectfully urge the pastors and members of said churches to make, during the year, special effort to reorganize depleted societies, and also to organize new ones in churches where none exist at present. And that the Christian Endeavor pledge be the basis of all such organizations.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. HADDAWAY, *Chairman.*

Report X.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATES.

Your Committee on Superannuates respectfully submits the following report:

First.—After a careful consideration of the subject, we recommend that $4,000, be assessed upon the district for distribution next year.

Second.—We recommend that Rev. G. J. Smith, Rev. J. G. Sullivan and Rev. J. H. Daugherty, each be granted a superannuated relation.

Third.—We recommend that Mrs. A. J. Walter, be placed upon the list of superannuated claimants.

Fourth.—We recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year:

Rev. L. W. Bates	57	$400 00
" W. A. Crouse	26	200 00
" H. C. Cushing	40	300 00
" H. J. Day	20	150 00
" A. D. Dick	46	300 00
" J. H. Daugherty	17	250 00
" C. H Littleton	44	300 00
" W. J. D. Lucas	16	350 00
" Jesse Shreeve	52	400 00
" S. B. Southerland	44	550 00
" J. A. Weigand	13	350 00
" G. J. Smith	~~24~~	300 00
" J. G. Sullivan	~~25~~	250 00
Mrs. W. C. Ames	8	100 00
" T. M. Bryan	12	100 00
" J. W. Charlton	37	150 00
" C. T. Cochell	25	100 00
" W. T. Dumm	36	250 00
" J. M. Elderdice	44	225 00
" J. H. Ellegood	28	125 00
" S. T. Ferguson	26	225 00
" D. N. Gilbert	8	225 00
" J. L. Kilgore	26	300 00
" Thomas Lee	13	100 00
" W. F. Livingston	19	100 00
" G. A. McFaden	28	150 00
" E. R. McGregor	21	100 00
" C. B. Middleton	16	225 00
" R. L. Lewis	28	200 00
" H. E. Miskimmon	19	100 00
" J. K. Nichols	43	100 00
" J. R. Nichols	58	300 00
" R. S. Norris	45	225 00

Mrs. J. E. Read	13	$125 00
" John Roberts	32	225 00
" D. A. Shermer	42	100 00
" C. M. Thompson	21	175 00
" S. G. Valliant	7	125 00
" P. L. Wilson	34	125 00
" A. J. Walter	25	300 00
" R. S. Williamson	9	275 00
" W. G. Holmes	40	175 00
The orphan children of Rev. T. E. Coulbourn—to be paid to their legal representative	16	300 00

Rev. J. J. Murray and Mrs. D. Bowers, relinquish their claim on the fund for the ensuing year.

Fifth.—The fund paid last year $80.25, on each $100 appropriated.

F. T. LITTLE, *Chairman.*

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

April, 1899.	Balance from 1898-99	$ 47 11		
October 4, 1899.	Check.	T. A. Murray, Treasurer	2,024 06	
October 11, 1899.	*Check.	J. J. Murray	89 00	
April 5, 1900.	Check.	T. A. Murray, Treasurer	2,819 58	
" 5 "	Cash.	District Collections	2,558 56	
" 9 "	"	Annual Dues	94 00	
" 9 "	Balance	Mrs. Eversole's Account	49 25	
				$7,681 56

Disbursements.

October 6, 1899.	Checks to Claimants		$2,058 03	
" 31, "	" "	Mrs. A. J. Walter (Special)	50 00	
Feb. 13, 1900.	Checks to Mrs. J. M. Elderdice		10 00	
April 5, "	" " "	A. J. Walter	29 00	
" 9, "	" "	Claimants	5,365 00	
" 9, "	Expenses	Corres. Secretary	1 80	
" 9, "	"	Steward	5 00	
" 9, "	Check to	T. A. Murray, Treasurer (Investment)	104 00	
				$7622 83
Balance				$58 73
April 9, 1900	*Check returned by J. J. Murray			232 00
Balance				$290 73

*Dr. Murray returned the amount due him with the request that it be distributed among the claimants on the fund most necessitous.

Per centum paid, eighty and one-quarter.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. LITSINGER, *Steward.*

REPORT OF THE SUPERANNUATED FUND STEWARD FOR THE YEAR 1899-1900.

Claimants.	*Allowed.*	*Paid.*
Rev. L. W. Bates	$400 00	$321 00
" W. A. Crouse	200 00	160 50
" H. C. Cushing	300 00	240 75
" H. J. Day	150 00	120 37
" A. D. Dick	300 00	240 75
" W. G. Holmes	175 00	140 43
" R. L. Lewis	350 00	280 87
" C. H. Littleton	300 00	240 75
" W. J. D. Lucas	350 00	280 87
" J. J. Murray	400 00	321 00
" Jesse Shreeve	400 00	321 00
" S. B. Southerland	550 00	441 37
" J. A. Wiegand	350 00	280 37
Mrs. W. C. Ames	100 00	80 25
" T. M. Bryan	100 00	80 25
" J. W. Charlton	175 00	140 43
" C. T. Cochell	100 00	80 25
" T. E. Coulbourn	400 00	321 00
" W. T. Dumm	250 00	200 62
" J. M. Elderdice	250 00	200 62
" J. H. Ellegood	125 00	100 31
" C. Eversole	125 00	100 31
" S. T. Ferguson	250 00	200 62
" D. N. Gilbert	225 00	180 56
" J. L. Kilgore	300 00	240 75
" Thomas Lee	100 00	80 25
" W. F. Livingston	100 00	80 25
" J. A. McFaden	150 00	120 37
" E. R. McGregor	100 00	80 25
" C. B. Middleton	250 00	200 62
" H. E. Miskimmon	125 00	100 31
" J. K. Nichols	100 00	80 25
" J. R. Nichols	300 00	240 75
" J. E. Read	125 00	100 31
" John Roberts	225 00	180 56
" D. A. Sherman	100 00	80 25
" C. N. Thompson	200 00	160 50
" S. G. Valliant	150 00	120 37
" P. L. Wilson	125 00	100 31
" R. S. Williamson	250 00	200 62
" R. S. Norris	225 00	180 56
Total	$9,250 00	$7,423 03

MINUTES OF SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY.

The Superannuated Fund Society met Monday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock in the Westminster Church, Rev. W. J. Neepier in the chair. The report of the treasurer was read and adopted. The following officers were elected: First vice president, Rev. W. J. Neepier; second vice-president, Rev. J. L. Straughn; third vice-president, Rev. J. W. Trout; corresponding secretary, Rev. A. W. Mather; recording secretary, Rev. L. F. Warner.

The following Board of Managers was elected: E. J. Drinkhouse, F. T. Tagg, J. M. Sheridan, T. O. Crouse, John G. Clarke, T. A. Murray, C. A. Benjamin, Harry C. Roberts.

Dr. T. H. Lewis offered a resolution that the appreciative thanks of the society be tendered to T. A. Murray for his careful and efficient services as treasurer. The resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

The following paper prepared by Dr. F. T. Tagg, was adopted. "The Superannuated Fund Society hereby records its appreciation of the Christian generosity of our honored brother, the late Rev. H. T. Gernhardt, in making the society the principal legatee of his estate, which has recently been paid into the hands of our treasurer. It proves that he was in hearty sympathy with the ministers of the church who have consecrated their lives to its service."

No further business the society adjourned.

L. F. WARNER, *Secretary.*

SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Treasurer's Report for the Year (April) 1899–1900.

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer, in account with SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY.

INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.

DR.

To balance as per last report	$421 83	
" amount received from Rev. W. H. Litsinger, Steward	101 00	
To amount from sale of securities per order of Board.	861 00	
" " from legacy of Mrs. Margaret Gernhardt..	2,152 96	
		$3,536 79

CR.

By amount invested in purchase of Ground rent	$1,118 45	
" " loan on note	100 00	
" expenses account Gernhardt legacy	109 25	
Balance in hand to credit Investment Account	2,209 09	
		$3,536 79

DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT.

DR.

To amount income received from investments	$4,491 44	
" " conference assessments received	433 30	
		$4,924 74

CR.

By rent safe deposit box	$15 00	
" amount paid for stationery, etc	16 10	
" " annuity paid under agreement	50 00	
		$81 10
By amount paid Rev. W. H. Litsinger, Steward, for October distribution	2,024 06	
By check herewith in full of balance in hand	2,819 58	
		4,843 64
		$4,924 74

N.B.—In addition to the amount of $2,152.96 received in cash, as above, as a legacy under the will of Mrs. Margaret Gernhardt, widow of the late Rev. H. T. Gernhardt, the society has also received from her estate four houses in Baltimore City appraised at $2,900.00, making the total amount of this legacy $5,052.96. The expenses noted above on account of this legacy were incurred in removing a cloud upon the title to these houses.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. MURRAY,
Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer and find them correct, as per above report.

We have also carefully examined the securities of the society and find them fully accounted for and properly deposited in the deposit box of the society at the Safe Deposit and Trust Company of Baltimore.

F. T. TAGG,
J. M. SHERIDAN,
Auditing Committee.

Supplementary Report of the Committee on Superannuates Deferred until the Conference of 1901.

(6) We recommend that the word "five" in line eight in Article X of the Constitution be stricken out and the word "ten" be inserted.

F. T. LITTLE,
Chairman.

Report Y.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT AGENCIES.

Your Committee on Benevolent Agencies, after the examination of various financial reports, submit the following:

1. For the Maryland Tract Society there has been collected from the charges of the District $276.83, and Mrs. T. A. Reese contributed $200—a total of $476.83. For Life Directors we submit the following names: J. L. Straughn, C. P. Nowlin, B. F. Ruley, John M. Dickey and H. S. Leas.

2. For the Maryland Bible Society there has been collected during the year the sum of $407.34. Mrs. T. A. Reese contributed $200 of this amount, and $207.34 was collected from the District. We believe that as much good is done by the Bibles given for Life Directorships as by those that are used in other ways, and submit the following names: W. B. Judefind, Edgar T. Read, T. R. Woodford, Ellis H. Jones.

H. W. D. JOHNSON, *Chairman.*

Report Z.

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL STEWARD.

Ministerial Education.

Assessed on the District	$611 75
Paid	526 67
Deficit	$85 08
Increase over last year	$11 32

Seminary.

Assessed on the District	$1,897 20
Paid	1,667 17
Deficit	$230 03
Increase over last year	$83 03

GEO. HINES, *Steward.*

Report AA.

REPORT OF GENERAL HOME MISSIONS STEWARD.

FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL, 1900.

Charges.	*Amount of Assessment.*	*Amount Paid.*
Accomac	$19 50	$19 50
Alexandria	16 25	9 81
Alnutt Memorial	33 80	33 80
Amelia	9 75	4 00
Baltimore	11 70	11 70
Beaver Dam	5 20	1 00
Bedford	16 25	16 25
Belair	16 25	11 00
Bethany	6 50	1 50
Bethel	.....	.....
Broadway	13 00	13 00
Brooklyn	9 75	8 00
Cambria	.....	.....
Cambridge	16 25	10 00
Campbell	6 50	1 00
Canton (St. John's)	.....	.....
Caroline	16 25	10 00
Cecil	16 25	16 25
Central	16 25	16 25
Centreville	13 00	13 00
Chesapeake	11 70	11 70
Chestertown	27 30	27 30
Chincoteague	6 50	6 50
Christ's Church	3 25	3 25
Clayton	13 00	8 75
Concord	13 00	10 00
Conquest	11 70	5 00
Crisfield	19 50	19 50
Crumpton	7 80	5 00
Cumberland	11 70	11 70
Deer Creek	7 80	7 80
Deer Park	9 75	1 00
Delmar	13 00	10 00
Delta	11 70	4 00
Denton	3 25	3 25
	$398 55	$323 56

Charges.	*Amount of Assessment.*	*Amount Paid.*
Dorchester	$13 00	$10 00
Dover	6 50	3 00
East Baltimore	22 75	17 00
Easton	22 75	37 00
Elizabeth City	22 75	12 00
Ellicott City	.....	.....
Eutaw	11 70	7 00
Evergreen	3 25	1 50
Fairfax	5 20	5 20
Fairfield	9 75	7 06
Fairview	5 20	.....
Fawn Grove	13 00	7 00
Felton	11 70	5 00
Federalsburg	.....	.....
Finksburg	13 00	13 00
First Church	16 25	12 00
Franklin City	13 00	5 00
Frederica	6 50	.....
Frederick	13 00	7 00
Georgetown, D. C.	32 50	32 50
Georgetown, Del	9 75	9 75
Georgetown Circuit	6 50	6 50
Greenwood	11 70	9 00
Grove	11 70	11 70
Hampden	19 50	19 50
Harper's Ferry	9 75	3 00
Harrington	13 00	7 00
Heathsville	.....	.....
Holly Run	9 75	3 00
Howard	11 70	11 70
Hurlock	6 50	6 50
Indian River	.....	.....
Jefferson	26 00	26 00
Kemptown	11 70	3 00
	$404 30	$305 16

Charges.	*Amount of Assessment.*	*Amount Paid.*	*Charges.*	*Amount of Assessment.*	*Amoant Paid.*
Kennedyville...	$ 9 75	$ 4 50	Quantico..... ...	$7 80	$7 00
Kent Island.....	11 70	9 00	Queen Anne.....	7 80	7 80
Laurel, Del.....	20 80	20 80	Reliance.....	7 80	7 80
Leipsic.....	5 20	2 50	Remington Ave	7 80	4 00
Lewistown.....	5 20	.....	Rowlandville...	7 80	5 00
Liberty.....	13 00	10 00	Salem.....	7 80	6 00.
Lisbon	16 25	16 25	Salisbury.....	13 00	13 00
Lynchburg	16 25	7 00	St. James'.....	16 25	16 25
Mariners..... ..	13 00	13 00	St. John's (Canton).....	6 50	6 50
Mardela	6 50	2 00	St. Luke's.....	16 25	2 00
Middleway	6 50	4 00	Eutaw	.....	.....
Milton.....	6 50	4 00	St. Michael's...	9 75	10 00
Millville	6 50	3 00	Seaford.....	13 00	13 00
Mt. Nebo.....	7 80	5 00	Snow Hill.....	11 70	7 00
Montgomery....	3 25	1 00	South Balto.....	13 00	8 00
Mt. Tabor.....	13 00	13 00	Starr.....	32 50	20 00
Newark.....	32 50	32 00	Stewartstown...	11 70	5 00
Newcastle.....	.....	.....	Susquehanna....	16 25	16 25
New Market.....	16 25	7 35	Sussex.....	13 00	10 50
Nichols' Memorial.....	3 25	4 00	Talbot.....	6 50	2 00
North Balto. Mission.....	13 00	13 00	Towson.....	.....	.....
North Carolina Avenue.....	11 70	13 00	Trinity.....	16 25	16 25
Oak Grove.....	9 75	4 00	Tyreeanna.....	3 25	.....
Oxford.....	13 00	13 00	Union.....	16 25	7 25
Parksley.....	.....	.....	Union Bridge...	13 00	13 00
Patapsco.....	3 25	3 25	Violetsville.....	3 25	2 50
Payson Street, Baltimore.....	6 50	50	Warwick.....	9 75	5 00
Pipe Creek..	13 00	13 00	Waltersville.....	9 75	9 75
Pittsville	7 80	7 80	Waverly.....	5 20	1 70
Pocomoke.....	9 75	8 00	West Baltimore	32 50	32 50
Pocomoke City.	26 00	26 00	Westminster....	29 25	14 65
Potomac.	9 75	9 75	Williamsport....	5 20	50
Powellville	9 75	9 75	Wilmington, 1st	6 50	2 00
Prince George's Va.....	3 25	1 00	Wilmington, 2d	5 20	4 00
			Wye.....	6 50	6 50
			Wicomico.....	6 50	6 00
	$365 30	$295 25		$378 95	$273 90

Total amouut assessed..... $1,547 00
Total amount paid..... 1,197 87

Deficit..... $349 13

Signed, G. M. CLAYTON, *Steward.*

Report BB.

REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Sabbath schools after due consideration present the following report:

The Sabbath school is without doubt one of the most important departments of church work and therefore worthy of the most profound consideration, and it is a matter of sincere regret that so many persons identified with our churches manifest such little interest in the welfare of the schools.

We express our gratification at the statement made by the President in his annual report regarding the considerable increase in the amount of literature used in our schools. It is also highly gratifying to know that other denominations recognize and bear testimony to the excellency of all our Sunday school publications, no reasonable excuse can therefore be offered for using in our schools the literature of any other denomination.

We recommend that our schools use the "Morning Guide" and "Our Children," not only because they supplement and in many places constitute the library, but because they educate the children regarding the institutions, principles, personages and workings of our own church.

We recommend that a copy of Dr. David Wilson's book "Young Men's Chart," also a copy of "Reminiscences of Dr. L. W. Bates" be placed in the library of each school.

We recommend not only the continuance of our Sunday School District Convention, but also Circuit Conventions and Sabbath School Anniversaries be held by all our schools.

Believing as we do that the infant department of our schools is the place and that early childhood is the time for laying the foundation of all christian hope and good citizenship, we recommend therefore not only the use of the "Interdenominational Bible Picture Lessons" but any and every available method whereby the youthful heart and mind may be impressed with the blessed life and teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ and that only the most competent persons be selected for this important work.

We recommend that special effort be made on the various charges by the pastors to awaken a deeper interest in behalf of our schools.

J. L. ELDERDICE, *Chairman.*

BOUNDARIES OF SUNDAY SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

1. All charges east of the Susquehanna river and north of and including Queen Anne's county, Md., and Clayton, Del., to constitute the first district.

2. All charges in Maryland south of Queen Anne's county and north of the Wicomico River, to constitute the second.

3. All charges in Delaware south of Clayton to constitute the third.

4. All charges on the Peninsula south of the Wicomico River to constitute the fourth.

5. All charges west of the Susquehanna River and east of Westminster and Lisbon, including Baltimore city, to constitute the fifth.

6. The charges in the District of Columbia and Virginia to constitute the sixth.

7. All charges west of and including Westminster and Lisbon to be included in the seventh.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

We the Committee on Sabbath Observance beg leave to report as follows:

We recommend that a part of the paper submitted by Dr. J. J. Murray, E. J. Drinkhouse and L. W. Bates be adopted as follows: "Resolved that this Conference commends with great pleasure the action of those senators and members of the House of Delegates of the State of Maryland, who successfully resisted the passage of the Sanford bill, which in our opinion would have tended to increase the desecration of the Sabbath and thereby demoralize the people, injuring the very classes in whose interest it was ostensibly introduced.

We further recommend that inasmuch as there is an inclination of corporations, firms or employers to force the employed to work on the Sabbath day, contrary to their convictions, that every possible effort be made to prevent the employment of the labor classes on the Sabbath day save in necessitous works.

We painfully deplore the attitude of the Baltimore daily papers and especially the Baltimore *Sun*, which after publishing an attack on the christian ministry and members of the church who fought against the Sanford bill, refused them and many of its patrons a like opportunity to defend themselves in its columns, but subsequently continued to publish articles defamatory to the christian ministry and the church.

In conclusion, we recommend that our people shall in life and character be wholy consistent in observing and maintaining the purity and sanctity of the Sabbath day.

We again recommend that the law relative to Sabbath observance at camp-meetings be rigidly enforced.

C. S. ARNETT, *Chairman.*

Report CC.

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS.

		YRS.
Accomac	C. K. McCaslin,	1
Alexandria	E. A. Warfield,	1
Alnutt Memorial	J. M. Holmes,	5
Amelia	H. C. Hall,	2
Baltimore	T. H. Wright,	6

Bedford	A. S. Beard,	2
Bethany	T. R. Woodford,	1
Broadway	W. S. Hammond,	2
Beaver Dam	F. A. Holland,	1
Brooklyn	J. L. Mills,	3
Belair	S. W. Coe, 1; one to be supplied.	
Cambridge	S. B. Tredway,	1
Campbell	To be supplied.	
Caroline	J. W. Norris,	1
Cecil	B. F. Jester,	2
Central	J. W. Kirk,	2
Centreville	F. T. Benson,	3
Chesapeake	F. H. Mullineaux,	1
Chestertown	J. M Gill,	5
Chincoteague	W. A. Melvin,	2
Christ Church	C. M. Compher,	1
Clayton	J. E. Nicholson,	4
Concord	G. J. Hill,	2
Conquest	E. S. Fooks,	2
Crisfield	G. W. Haddaway,	3
Crumpton	G. H. Stocksdale,	1
Cumberland	J. M. Yingling,	4
Clinton Avenue, Newark, N. J	W. R. Sherwood,	1
Deer Creek	H. S. Johnson,	3
Deer Park	C. J. Burdette, Supply.	
Delmar	J. E. T. Ewell,	2
Denton	J. M. Dickey,	2
Delta	W. H. Litsinger,	1
Dorchester	J. A. Wright,	3
Dover and Leipsic	N. O. Gibson,	2
East Baltimore	J. M. Sheridan,	6
Easton	L. F. Warner,	1
Elizabeth	J. W. Trout,	8
Eutaw	J. L. Straughn,	2
Evergreen	E. P. Perry,	1
Fairfax	H. S. Leas,	2
Fairfield	J. W. Parris,	2
Fawn Grove	Dorsey Blake,	1
Felton	H. L. Schlincke,	2
Finksburg	W. M. Poisal,	1
First Church, Washington	J. W. Gray,	4
Fox Hill	C. M. Zepp,	2
Franklin City	H. W. D. Johnson,	2
Frederica	E. H. Jones,	1
Frederick	W. W. White,	1
Georgetown, D. C	J. D. Kinzer,	2

Georgetown, Del .....J. H. S. Ewell, 7
Georgetown Circuit.....G. Edwin Brown, 3
Greenwood.....E. D. Stone, 2
Grove.....G. R. Donaldson, 1
Hampden.....W. J. Neepier, 4
Harper's Ferry.....G. F. Farring, 1
Harrington.....W. S. Phillips, 2
Holly Run.....G. R. Hodge, 3
Howard.....W. D. Litsinger, 3
Hurlock's.....J. L. Ward, 1
Jefferson.....W. M. Strayer, 9
Kempton.....C. M. Cullum, 3
Kennedyville.....Louis Randall, 2
Kent Island.....C. E. McCullough, 2
Indian River.....To be supplied.
Laurel.....F. C. Klein, 6
Lawsonia.....Frederick Phillips, 1
Lewistown.....To be supplied.
Liberty.....W. J. Floyd, 3
Lisbon.....B. P. Truitt, 5
Lynchburg.....G. Q. Bacchus, 1
Mardela.....Elmer Simpson, 1
Mariners .....L. A. Bennett, 4
Middleway.....A. H. Green, 3
Millville.....B. F. Ruley, 2
Milton.....H. E. Bennington, 2
Mt. Nebo.....A. A. Bichell, 1
Mt. Tabor.....Emanuel Pierce, 3
Newark, N. J.....L. R. Dyott, 11
Newmarket.....S. F. Cassen, 5
Nichols' Memorial.....To be supplied.
North Baltimore.....F. H. Lewis, 2. E. J. Drinkhouse, Supernumerary.
North Carolina Ave.....A. N. Ward, 2; David Wilson, Supernumerary.
Oak Grove and Prince George.....A. A. Harriman, 3
Oxford.....J. T. Lassell, 1
Parksley.....W. B. Judefind, 1
Patapsco.....To be supplied.
Payson Street.....Edgar T. Read, 3
Pipe Greek.....B. W. Kindley, 5
Pittsville.....E. O. Ewing, 4
Pocomoke Circuit.....F. S. Cain, 1
Pocomoke City.....D. L. Greenfield, 2
Potomac.....E. B. Taylor, 1
Powellville.....G. A. Morris, 4
Quantico.....F. L. Stevens, 2
Queen Anne's.....G. W. Hines, 1

Reliance.....H. F. Wright, 2
Remington.....H. O. Keen, 5
Rowlandville.....J. E. Maloy, 7
Salisbury.....S. J. Smith, 1
Salem.....R. K. Lewis, 5
Seaford.....J. W. Balderston, 2
South Baltimore.....C. S. Arnett, 2
Starr.....F. T. Little, 12
Stewartstown.....G.M. Clayton, 1
St. James.....E. C. Makosky, 3
St. John's, Canton.....J. L. Elderdice, 1
St. Luke's, Philadelphia.....J. B. Jones, 4
St. Michael's.....S. H. Hoblitzell, 4
Susquehanna.....C. P. Nowlin, 1
Sussex.....G. R. McCready, 5
Snow Hill.....Avery Donovan, 1
Talbot.....C. L. Daugherty, 4
Trinity.....D. W. Anstine, 5
Union Bridge.....R. S. Rowe, 2
Union.....A. W. Mather, 2
Violetsville.....J. H. Robinson, supply.
Waltersville.....C. E. Dryden, 2
Warwick.....J. M. Brown, 1
Waverly.....J. F. Bryan, 3
West Baltimore.....T. O. Crouse, 2
Westminster.....W. R. Graham, 6
Williamsport.....To be supplied.
Wilmington.....G. L. Wolfe, 5
West Wilmington.....Jas. L. Nichols, 1
Wicomico.....W. O. Livingston, 1
Wye.....J. F. Wooden, 3
President of Western Maryland College.....T. H. Lewis, 15
President of Seminary.....H. L. Elderdice, 4
Professor in Seminary.....B. F. Benson, 4
Editor of *Methodist Protestant*.....F. T. Tagg, 9

LOANED.

Board of Foreign Missions.....E. H. Vandyke, 11
St. John's Independent Methodist Church.....J. S. Bowers, 10
Board of Home Missions.....T. P. Revelle, 1

Superannuates.—S. B. Southerland, 16; H. J. Day, 31; J. A. Wiegand, 12; W. J. D. Lucas, 92; W. A. Crouse, 8; H. C. Cushing, 6; W. G. Holmes, 6; L. W. Bates, 4; Jesse Shreeve, 3; J. J. Murray, 2; C. H. Littleton, 2; A. D. Dick, 2; J. G. Sullivan, 1; J. H. Daugherty, 1; G. J. Smith, 1.

Left without appointment at their own requests, G. D. Edmondston and E. H. Nelson.

Report DD.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE STEWARD APRIL, 1900.

GENERAL INTERESTS.

	Assessed.	Paid	Comparative Table.	
			Increase Over 1899.	Decrease from 1899.
President's Salary	$2,485 00	$2,474 01	$124 91	.....
Conference	383 85	298 56	.....	$7 74
Ministerial Education	611 75	527 66	11 31	.....
Theological Seminary	1,897 20	1,667 17	83 03	.....
Superannuates	4,027 30	2,991 86	64 19	.....
Church Extension	4,189 25	2,826 35	.....	881 90
General Home Missions	1,547 00	1,197 87	283 73	.....
Foreign Missions	2,862 80	1,933 76	180 25	.....
Special for Foreign Missions:				
From Sabbath Schools	.....	83 71	37 81	.....
From Children's Day	.....	2,665 43	.....	15 85
From W. F. M. Society	.....	1,155 42	.....	861 36
C. E. Society	.....	112 62	.....	.....
Miss Forrest	.....	2 00	.....	.....
Special	.....	70 64	.....	12 96
Bible Cause	.....	408 09	.....	5 65
Tract Cause	.....	478 08	.....	81 26
Aged People's Home	.....	600 65	.....	.....
Total for General Interests	.....	$19,493 88	$785 23	$1,866 72

Total amount raised for all purposes, $195,729.79.
Net Increase for all purposes, $8,418.25.

LOCAL INTERESTS.

	Assessed	Paid.	Comparative Table.	
			Increase Over 1899.	Decrease from 1899.
Pastor's Salary	$68,664 00	$67,761 25	$1,689 28	.....
Rent of Parsonage	.....	9,078 00	363 00	.....
Other Current Expenses (such as Fuel, Sexton, etc.)	.....	21,540 27	.....	$5,290 76
Sabbath-school Expenses	.....	9,313 12	.....	.....
Buildings and Improvements	.....	41,165 92	.....	8,212 23
Church and Parsonage Debt	.....	20,241 69	8,457 70	.....
Total for Local Interest	.....	$169,100 25	$10,509 98	$13,502 99

MISCELLANEOUS.

North Carolina Church	$918 00
Christian Endeavor Society	1,405 35
Twentieth Century Fund	1,971 59
Evangelistic Services	280 87
Sundries	2,559 85
	$7,135 66

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. S. EWELL.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolution 1.

WHEREAS, Three of our beloved brethren have been called from labor to reward during the year just closed; and,

WHEREAS, the Conference service in memory of these faithful ones should be conducted without undue haste and with a reverence becoming the occasion; therefore,

Resolved, That we suspend, for this session, the order of the last Conference and appoint Sunday afternoon, at 2.30 o'clock, as the time for memorial service.

W. R. GRAHAM.

Resolution 2.

Resolved, That in the recent death of Rev. Dr. John Scott, of the Pittsburg Conference, the Methodist Protestant Church has lost a prominent and useful minister of its communion, and we feel it incumbent upon us to testify to his Christian integrity and sterling worth to the church, from his youth till the hour when God called him to share in the rewards of the blessed.

Resolved, That we tender to his bereaved widow, his Conference and his kindred left behind, our Christian sympathy, hoping that we may all meet in the upper sanctuary.

L. W. BATES,
JOHN J. MURRAY,
S. B. SOUTHERLAND,
F. T. TAGG.

Resolution 4.

Resolved, That the President of the Conference be authorized to appoint an obituary committee in the case of minister's wives and widows.

E. J. DRINKHOUSE.

Resolution 6.

Resolved, That the President be directed to inform those charges refusing to insure their property and incorporate the trustees that no money appropriated to these charges will be paid until these questions are satisfactorily answered.

T. H. LEWIS,
E. J. DRINKHOUSE.

Resolution 7.

Resolved, That a special committee be appointed to consider the interests of Methodist Protestantism in Philadelphia.

J. B. JONES.

Resolution 8.

Resolved, That a special committee, with Dr. Tagg as chairman, assess $200 on the District for expenses of General Conference representatives, and that the amount be paid by May 15th to the chairman.

F. C. KLEIN.

Resolution 9.

After the long and severe affliction of our beloved Brother and honored senior member of this Conference, Rev. L. W. Bates, D.D., we hail with great pleasure his presence at this session of the conference, and assure him of our appreciation of his presence here. We honor him for his long and useful services in the church, and trust that a kind Providence may so interpose and overrule as to permit him to meet with us again.

S. B. TREDWAY,
S. VANNORT,
J. W. TROUT.

Resolution 10.

We recommend that $4,000 be assessed on the District for Church Extension.

B. P. TRUITT, *Chairman.*

Resolution 11.

Resolved, On motion of J. D. Kinzer it was resolved that the assessment upen the Conference District for Seminary be the same as last year, viz: $1,800.

Resolution 12.

Resolved, That $450 for Conference expenses be assessed upon the District.

J. M. SHERIDAN.

Resolution 13.

Resolved, That $2,862 for Foreign Missions, $600 for Ministerial Education and $1,500 for Home Missions be assessed upon the District.

J. M. SHERIDAN.

Resolution 14.

Resolved, That all collections for the Aged People's Home be paid through the pastors of the different charges to the Treasurer of the Home.

S. B. TREDWAY,
O. W. GENT.

Resolution **15.**

Resolved, That the date of the next Annual Conference be the first Wednesday in April, 1901.

T. C. KLEIN.

Resolution **16.**

Resolved, That the Quarterly Conference of each circuit, station or charge in this conference District, at least ninety days before the next Annual Conference, be requested to submit to the congregation or congregations in the respective circuits, stations or charges, to be voted upon by ballot upon a week day by the qualified members thereof, the following resolution, namely: "*Resolved*, That the pastorate in the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church shall be limited to not exceeding five years, to take effect in the year 1901."

Resolved, That the result of the vote upon the said resolution shall be certified by each Quarterly Conference to the Secretary of this Conference at least sixty days before its next annual session, who shall tabulate and report such vote to the Conference on the second day of its next annual session. The certificate from each Quarterly Conference shall show the number of votes for and against said resolution. Notice of the time set for taking such vote shall be announced from the pulpit at each preaching appointment on two consecutive Sundays at least two weeks prior to the time set for the meeting of the membership for that purpose. The Quarterly Conference of each charge shall fix the time for the meetings at which such vote shall be taken, and shall have charge of all the details necessary for that purpose. The pastors shall bring this subject to the attention of the Quarterly Conferences.

JAMES R. CATON,
HARRY C. ROBERTS,

MINISTERIAL VOTE.

Affirmative—S. B. Southerland, Jesse Shreeve, E. J. Drinkhouse, W. M. Strayer, S. A. Hoblitzell, J. L. Mills, J. D. Kinzer, J. M. Holmes, A. W. Mather, J. T. Lassell, J. L. Straughn, F. T. Tagg, W. J. Neepier, A. A. Harryman, W. J. Floyd, T. O. Crouse, G. F. Farring, F. H. Mullineaux, J. A. Weigand, G. Q. Bacchus, W. W. White, J. M. Sheridan, F. H. Lewis, S. J. Smith, D. W. Austine, F. C. Klein, J. L. Elderdice, G. R. McCready, J. S. Bowers, J. W. Balderston, S. F. Cassen, J. W. Norris, J. W. Kirk, B. W. Kindley, F. T. Benson, Elmer Simpson, J. F. Wooden, B. F. Jester, W. S. Phillips, C. E. McCullough, J. W. Parris, Dorsey Blake, A. H. Green, C. K. McCaslin, Louis Randall, E. B. Taylor, G. M. Clayton, G. W. Hines, E. C. Makosky, C. P. Nowlin, T. R. Revelle, A. S. Beane, G. J. Hill, Emanuel Pierce, H. L. Schlincke, C. E. Dryden, H. F. Wright, F. L. Cain, G. A. Morris, N. O. Gibson, G. H. Stocksdale, A. A. Bichell, C. M. Zepp, H. S. Lease—64.

Negative.—J. J. Murray, W. S. Hammond, C. H. Littleton, H. C. Cushing, B. F. Benson, J. E. Maloy, J. W. Gray, J. B. Jones, S. B. Treadway, J. M. Yingling, W. R. Graham, J. W. Trout, J. E. Nicholson, J. M. Gill, H. L. Elderdice, L. R. Dyott, G. W. Haddaway, H. W. D. Johnson, J. H. S. Ewell, H. S. Johnson, R. K. Lewis, L. F. Warner, C. M. Cullum, G. R. Donaldson, W. B. Judefind, W. H. Litsinger, H. E. Nelson, T. H. Wright, A. N. Ward, J. F. Bryan, H. E. Bennington, E. D. Stone, C. L. Daugherty, W. V. Livingston, Edgar T. Read, J. L. Ward, J. M. Dickey, B. F. Ruley, T. R. Woodford.—39.

LAY VOTE.

Affirmative—J. R. Caton, H. C. Roberts, Wm. Huster, F. Mewshaw, O. M. Ong, W. B. Usilton, A. E. Woodward, T. H. Gullett, Frank Covington, L. R. Martin, S. M. Follin, David Cooper, G. M. Graef, W. S. Ray, Edward Webb, W. J. Potter, D. A. Brinsfield, T. L. Tyler, Charles Stayton, C. C. Baker, J. N. Warfield, J. B. Norris, J. S. Trout, W. H. Myers, Jr., W. A. Harman, J. G. Sheppard, T. J. Veasy, J. A. Tarbut, W. E. Sheppard, B. P. Truitt, Samuel Vannort, J. M. Macklem, W. M. Jett, D. L. Farrar, B. L. Bowers—35.

Negative—O. W. Gent, James Johnson, J. F. Norris, C. W. Simpson, John Dodd, Samuel Burgess, E. J. Blair, John Mason, C. S. Harris, W. R. Webb, W. T. Watts, J. D. Cathell, D. T. Hitchens, W. R. Peregoy, Gaven Spence, Philip Crosby, J. S. Wheeler—17.

Resolution 17.

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with Rev. R. S. Rowe and family in their affliction, and pray that they may be speedily restored to perfect health.

W. M. STRAYER,
B. F. BENSON.

Resolution 18.

WHEREAS, This Conference learns of the indisposition of Brother John G. Clark, an honored member of East Baltimore Church, and the president of the Baltimore Book Directory and the Board of Managers of the Superannuated Fund Society.

Resolved, That this Conference does hereby, through its Secretary, tender to him our Christian sympathy and hearty wishes for his early recovery.

E. J. DRINKHOUSE,
J. M. SHERIDAN.

Resolution 19.

Resolved, That the address delivered by Dr. Tagg last night be published in the METHODIST PROTESTANT.

G. A. MORRIS.

Resolution **20**.

WHEREAS, The sermon preached by Rev. W. M. Strayer on Sunday morning by conference appointment at the ordination of Elders, was so full of instruction and timely advice, which should be allowed to reach the church at large; therefore

Resolved, That Rev. W. M. Strayer be requested to furnish a copy of his sermon for publication in the METHODIST PROTESTANT.

S. J. SMITH,
J. T. LASSELL.

Resolution **21**.

Resolved, That the Quarterly Conference of Jefferson Charge be allowed to sell the Jefferson Church property if found expedient to do so.

W. M. STRAYER.

OBITUARY.

REV. JOSHUA THOMAS MURRAY, D.D.

"Absent!" we mournfully say. "Present!" may joyously respond angels round about the throne of God.

A thousand precious memories start to life as by conference authority and our own personal promptings as well we now inscribe Dr. Murray's name on the church's memorial page. Alas! a memory is all now remaining. He, himself, his real living personality, is no longer with us. In the most literal and positive sense he is absent. Not dead, but absent. And though simply absent what a dreary absence it is to all who knew him! In the circle of his intimate associates it is the extinction of a light which, ever calm and serene, reflected the lustre of the better, brighter world. At the moment of his departure there was a vacancy which extended throughout the Church he fondly loved and faithfully served for half a century. In his departure a conspicuous figure in our pulpits and councils suddenly withdrew to return no more.

There is weeping as the scene is unveiled to vision. Tears of sorrow must flow when a life of public usefulness, social excellence and home's tender endearments, as Dr. Joshua Thomas Murray's, vanishes from view. But, thanks be unto God, there may be, and in this case there are, abounding compensations. Absence is only absence here. And the extent of the absence is small in the computations of the illimitable realms of God. It is as insignificant as infinitesimal in the blue heavens and the glory beyond. And thus while we say of our dear brother "Absent," there quickly comes responsively "Present" in angelic triumphant acclaim.

We ought not and cannot, therefore, "sorrow as those that have no hope" of resurrection and immortality. With our hope every tear that bedews the cheek is touched by beams of the Sun Divine, and faith discerns in the combination a sphere of light, seven-hued, beautiful and assuring as the variegated arch of the water cloud, the brilliant bow of sun and spray. So that it were not hard to tell which has the mastery at that New Year's grave in Greenmount, grief or gladness, the gloom of the tomb, or the brilliance high above its sombre shades.

Dr. J. T. Murray was a native of Maryland. After his conversion the call to preach the Gospel came to him so clear and distinct that he soon set about making the necessary preparation to enter the Maryland Annual Conference. That was long before our present equipments of college, theological seminary and Faculty of Instruction. His own brother, Dr. John J. Murray, then pastor of our Congress Street, Georgetown Church,

so well assisted him in his studies that he was cordially received by the Conference, and then he entered upon his itinerant career. And a career of distinction it proved to be. It included pastorates of our most prominent churches, and various other positions of church eminence and trust. He was chosen from a very popular pastorate to the editorial chair of THE METHODIST PROTESTANT at a critical period in its history, owing to the disturbed sentiment and agitation produced by the civil strife, and which the issues of the war could not immediately readjust and calm. But the skill and prudence of the pilot editor had illustration in the safe sailing of the ship in the midst of the unsubsided stormy waters.

Having returned to the pastorate, Dr. Murray was elevated to the chiefest place in the conference, and this, probably, by a well-nigh unprecedented expression of the will of his brethren. He was made president by a single balloting.

He was often a representative in the General Conference, including the last quadrennial session of that supreme body in the church, and he would, beyond all doubt—though contrary to his expressed wishes—have been returned to the next session had he lived to the assembling next April of the Electoral College.

Indeed, the last General Conference anticipated and assumed his presence at its next meeting by appointing him on the Committee of Disciplinary Revisals, to report at the following session. And, probably, it was his work on that committee, coupled with editorial labors deemed expedient by the editor's absence in the great Thank-offering work of the church; these varied and onerous duties, superadded to his engagements in the benevolencies of the Tract cause, may have overtaxed his physical ability and rendered him susceptible to the disease that terminated his life.

However this may be, he is gone from us. The Maryland Conference and the Methodist Protestant Church at large has not known a greater bereavement for many years. So far as our own conference is concerned, no one, whether of the living or the dead, has filled more of our prominent positions. He will be missed almost everywhere in the church. His colleagues in the Book Directory, his associate trustees in Western Maryland College, his fellow-governors of Westminster Theological Seminary, his brother members of the Faculty of Instruction of our conerence—all these will miss his interest, his zeal and his intelligence.

West Baltimore Church, of which he had been an early and highly esteemed pastor, and where he had been later on and up to the period of his departure, a regular attendant, will miss his dignified form, his interested and devout spirit. We can scarcely turn to any interests of the church, general or local, where his absence will not be sensibly felt.

We say nothing of his absence from his inner circle of all—his home, his kindred, his son, his daughters, his grandchildren, his brother and sister. We enter not that domestic sanctum; we might say, as in the case

of all who have near kindred about them, that home—holy of holies. All outside that circle are strangers at a time like this. And, stranger entrance there would seem an intrusion, and, stranger voice might jar with discord the heart chords now pulsing with the harmony of a tearful resignation and a sanctified sorrow.

It was the last of the Old Year but one day that Dr. Murray, after a brief illness, exchanged worlds. It was New Year's Day when the casketed form of the precious dead was laid down for the funeral solemnities in West Baltimore Church. A large attendance, including our Baltimore ministers and people, evinced tender sympathy and appreciative interest in the touching scene. The first named of this committee was honored with the chief place in the sacred ceremonies, being assisted by Dr. W. S. Hammond, Revs. F. T. Little and T. O. Crouse.

In hope of the resurrection and the life everlasting. Amen.

S. B. SOUTHERLAND,
W. S. HAMMOND,
T. O. CROUSE,
J. W. HERING,
J. G. CLARKE,
F. M. WARNER,
Conference Committee.

February 19, 1900.

REV. ROBERT LUTHER LEWIS.

Rev. Robert Luther Lewis was the son of Louis Duval and Emily Iglehart Lewis, and was born in Montgomery county, Md., June 2nd, 1847. When an infant his parents moved to Anne Arundel county, Md., where his childhood and youth were spent. He wrote of himself: "My early life was uneventful. I was frail in body, though not often under the care of a physician. In 1862 while spending a few months with my sister, I was stricken with typhoid fever, and was so ill my life was despaired of. My recovery was retarded by an affliction in my left hip, resulting, apparently, from the severity of the disease, and so affecting my hip joint as to render it stiff and contract the limb, producing permanent lameness."

In 1864 he went to Washiugton, and there learned telegraphy, and secured a position as operator, when he was severly hurt by a fall, and had to return to his father's house where he was an invalid for a year again.

In the spring of 1867 he entered the "West River Classical Institute," under the management of Rev. Robt. G. Chaney, A.M. In 1868 he received the position of public school teacher in Anne Arundel county, about six miles from Baltimore.

Again I quote him: "Having previously sought and obtained evidence of the forgiveness of my sins, I united in probationary membership with the Brooklyn M. P. Church, of which Rev. C. H. Littleton was then pastor." During the next summer he preached his first sermon for Rev. C. C. Cronin, of the M. E. Church, in the vicinity. Rev. J. W. Charlton,

having become pastor of Brooklyn Church, induced the quarterly conference to give him license to preach, and recommended him to the president for work. Dr. S. B. Southerland, who was then president of the conference, sent him in May, 1870, as assistant to Rev. John Roberts on Howard Circuit. In March, 1871, he was received into the conference, and sent as assistant to Rev. S. T. Graham on Dorchester Circuit. His subsequent appointments were: Belair, in 1872; Kent, in 1873, as assistant in each charge; Pocomoke Circuit, 1874; Heathsville, 1875-1881—spending six years on this large field; Queen Anne, 1881-1883; Seaford, 1884; Chesapeake, 1885-1887; Salisbury, 1888, 1889; Caroline, 1890-1891; Kennedyville, 1892-1894; South Baltimore, 1895; Delta, 1896; Wye, 1897.

On the 24th of February, 1875, he was married to Miss Missouri Redhead, of Vienna, Dorchester county, Md. She, with a daughter, their only child, survive him, and live in Federalsburg, Md., where he spent the weary months of his superannuation. His home life was very happy, and contributed much to the usefulness of his life. There was about him a quiet dignity, gentleness and affection, that made his home circle very attractive to all his friends.

Nearly thirty years were spent in the itinerary of the conference. His character as a Christian man, and his work as a preacher and pastor, were only known at their full worth by those who were brought into close contact with him. Though attentive and interested in the business of conference, his voice was seldom heard in debate, and because of his quiet, modest manner he was but little known in our annual assemblies. He had at different times been the pastor of four members of this committee. This is their testimony: "The people of the town (Salisbury) had a high regard for him. He was universally respected and loved. I knew him intimately as his neighbor, and I can safely say a more sweet spirited man I never knew." "He was one of the best men I ever knew. His life was a demonstration of the truth and power of the Gospel he so well and faithfully preached. As a man he was a born leader or general, possessed of those rare qualities which in themselves subdued even the vicious. Caroline Circuit loved him, and will remember with gratitude the example he left us." "For four years it was my blessed privilege, when quite a young man, to have Rev. R. L. Lewis for my pastor. He was a refined Christian minister and gentleman. His refined character was manifest in his home, in the social circle, and in the pulpit. His conversation was elevated and instructive, and one could only think of the pure and the good while in his presence; and to be touched by his life was to be lifted God-ward. In the pulpit his fine taste was manifest. Unlike many modern speakers who use 'up to-date' subjects and expressions, he never used words or subjects that savored of the sensational or vulgar; but in calm and yet earnest manner, intelligently and forcibly preached the pure word of the Lord. He was a moral hero. Deep convictions took hold of his life, and he possessed a Daniel-like courage which made it possible to remain

true to his convictions. What he believed to be right, he would stand up for, though he stood alone. He had too true a spirit to even consider the politic side of a question when right was involved." This testimony is true.

He was endowed with a high order of talent. He had a fine literary taste, and communicated his ideas with great perspicuity. He had the gift of poetry. He had rare executive ability, and with all he was a diligent student. These rich treasures of his manhood were consecrated without reserve to the blessed work of the Gospel ministry. A delicate constitution, limiting his ability to work, and prostrations upon a sick bed, frequent during his life, alone held him back from the most laborious and responsible positions in the gift of the church. These lines written by him when at South Baltimore, too feeble to do his work, express the sweet, trusting spirit of his life:

O bid me, Saviour, come to Thee!
  I toil in rowing on life's restless tide.
And wait Thy word, to bid my weary bark safe anchored be,
  Where safest harbor waits me at thy sheltering side;
  O bid me come to Thee.

After his removal to Federalsburg his loss of strength was constant, but not rapid. At times, for a brief season he seemed better, and indulged the hope of entering the pulpit again, but this was not to be. He did not murmur. He was patient and cheerful. Rev. A. D. Dick, serving an adjacent charge, saw him occasionally. He could not talk much in the last days of his life. In reply to Brother Dick's question he said "Yes, the Gospel I have preached to others is now a comfort to me." The message of love and sympathy sent by the conference at Crisfield, was read to him in his last hours, and his face brightened with joy in the fellowship of his brethren whom he loved so well.

Though we have no church in Federalsburg, Brother Lewis and family found many warm friends in other churches, and in the entire community; and there was gentle and loving ministry to him and his, through all these trying days.

I insert one verse from the last poem he wrote:

O, bury me in the morning,
  When the birds their sweetest lays
Are hymning to their Maker,
And the world is full or praise.
For I have loved the feathered songsters,
And my soul with worship stirred
  When their myriad cheery voices
In triumph songs were heard.
  Then bury me when their chorus
  Is sweet upon the air;
  And love fills every bosom,
  And praise is everywhere.

We buried him in the morning in the beautiful cemetery at Federalsburg, April 15th, 1899. Revs. A. D. Dick, S. J. Smith, G. Q. Bacchus, F. H. Mullineaux, W. J. D. Lucas, and the pastor of the M. E. Church participated in the funeral services. The lonely widow and daughter have

found kind friends in the community where they live, and we commend them to the prayers and sympathy of the church to which our brother gave his faithful service.

J. D. KINZER,
A. D. DICK,
W. B. JUDEFIND,
C. W. HOBBS,
H. W. ROUNDS,
C. W. HURLOCK.

REV. ANDREW JAMES WALTER.

Rev. Andrew James Walter departed this life May 22, 1899, at Mardela Springs, Md., in the fifty-second year of his age, and the thirty-ninth year of his Christian experience and membership in the M. P. Church. He was the second son of Andrew S. and Lufamia Walter, and was born at Mt. Royal, within the present limits of Baltimore city, and near where the North Baltimore Church is located. In 1852 the late Dr. D. W. Bates, then pastor of Baltimore Circuit, made Grinden schoolhouse at Lauraville a permanent "preaching place," with a Sabbath-school attached, under the superintendency of the late John Read, grandfather of Rev. Edgar T. Read. Into this nesting place back in the early fifties were gathered the children of the Read family, the Walter family, the Cromwell family, the Tredway family and numerous others, which space forbids the committee to name, who received their early training in the divine life, and the loyalty to the Church of the two generations that have followed, prove how well the work was done. Here Brother Walter received the first religious training which became the shaping influence, the type and cast of his entire earthly career. In 1861, at a great revival at Eutaw Church, he, with many others, consecrated himself to the Lord Jesus Christ, and became identified with God's people. He was educated in the public schools of Baltimore county, followed by a two-years' course in Western Maryland College; and then passing regularly through the Faculty of Instruction of the Maryland Conference, he entered the work of the ministry, the grandest commission ever given to man. Brother Walter joined the conference in March, 1873, and served the following charges: Baltimore, Potomac, Cecil, Princess Anne, Frederick, Guilford, Rainsburg, Campbell, Kennedyville, Accomac, Grove, Powellsville, Sussex, Reliance, Conquest, and in April last he entered upon the pastorate of Mardela Springs, when, after a short period of pain and great suffering, the Great Head of the Church called him to the work and association of the spirits of just men made perfect. Brother Walter was in close touch with that class of ministers who never complain, but go to their work feeling that God's hand controlled the pen that gave them their appointments. No man loved the work of the ministry better than Brother Walter, and it was always a matter of great joy when he could

induce a soul to turn from the error of his sinful way and give his heart to God. All his tastes and feelings, his thought and inner being, held to the leanings of that life that could only be satisfied where Christ was the supreme object of his soul. While his pulpit ability was perhaps not so marked as that of some of his brethren, yet to the listener, he was always an interesting preacher, and any brother or sister was sure to be blessed who practically accepted the wise counsel and scriptural teaching of his pulpit efforts. His mind tended to quietness and contemplation, and he cared more for the association of the few than of the many; and yet, at times when surroundings were favorable and associates congenial, the flow of his humor was like the bubbling of a fountain—clear, strong and refreshing. Brother Walter's transparent sincerity and godly life was the accepted verdict of the whole Conference; and the fine poetic tribute of his personal friend and whilom parishioner, Miss Amanda Elizabeth Dennis, finds a ready response in the hearts of all who knew him. He held his commission from God as a sacred trust, and daily lived in blessed assurance of that solemn responsibility.

Directly after entering upon the work of his new charge, symptoms of heart disease began to trouble him and seriously interfered with his pastoral duties. He hoped for the best, however, and used every available means to stay the progress of the disease and bring back his usual health, but as the days went by, increasing rather than diminishing his suffering, it dawned upon his mind that his days on earth were numbered. In bidding a brother good-by who had called to see him, he said: "I hope to see you soon again, but if I should not be here, I will be in the world above." On May 22, the worst fears of his family and friends were realized, and he passed suddenly but peacefully to the rest which awaits the people of God.

A number of ministers from different sections of the district were present at the funeral, and participated in the services, Rev. A. W. Mather being in charge, and Rev. L. F. Warner making the principal address. The large attendance upon the part of the people gave evidence of the high esteem in which their dear departed pastor was held by them. The services over, the precious remains were laid to rest in Mardela Springs Cemetery to await the resurrection of the just. May the Great Head of the Church place His everlasting arms beneath the bereaved family and people, and give them the consolations of His sustaining grace.

S. B. Tredway,
A. W. Mather,
G. R. McCready,
T. H. Humphries,
James Broughton,
Isaac Bennett,

July 10, 1899. *Committee.*

MRS. CARRIE V. COULBOURN.

Mrs. Carrie V. Coulbourn died at the residence of her mother, Mrs. Charles W. Button, at "Laurel Hill," in Appomattox County, Va. at ten minutes before 9 o'clock Friday night, June 9, 1899, widow of the Rev. Thomas E. Coulbourn, late Foreign Missionary Secretary of the Methodist Protestant Church. I have in part anticipated this brief memoir by an appreciative editorial notice, and also by a kindly obituary, republished from the Lynchburg NEWS in THE METHODIST PROTESTANT of June 11. In anything which may be said of our dear departed young friend we but extol the Christian virtues so conspicuously exemplified in her patient sufferings and peaceful death. The sacrifices made by her in the long journeyings and frequent absences from home of her husband during the years of his missionary secretaryship were not less but probably greater than even the wives of missionaries are called to make. For these, though absent from home, are nevertheless at home, with their companions by their side. I know she willingly endured all these, deferring ever to her husband's convictions of duty, and his determination in this as in all things to be a loyal servant of the Church.

Oh! how much the dear children will miss their mother, who was their all during the weeks and months when they did not see their father's face, and then to be forever shrouded by the mystery of his final departure from them when he was so far from home. How sweet to her has been the immortal reunion of the heavenly world. All that was then so dark has been forever made bright. Sister Coulbourn accepted the position of her own pastor's wife with a full knowledge of its many cares and sacrifices. Her father's house was ever a preacher's home. She had, therefore, learned from childhood much of the privations and hardships of the preacher's lot; but she accepted all without hesitation, esteeming God's service in this as greater honor than ease and affluence in any other relation, retaining in these also the warm attachments and esteem of her girlhood acquaintances and friends. Her's was, indeed, the "ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price For, after this manner in the old time, the holy women also who trusted in God adorned themselves." Returning from Philadelphia, whither she had been taken to secure relief from eminent medical specialists, she was brought to her sister's home in Lynchburg (Mrs. Dr. Warfield). Here "fading, still fading," she suffered on, and could not know of all which was daily wasting her life away. Realizing probably that the end was near, she desired to go back to her mother's home and be in her own room again. There, too, she hoped the pure country air would strengthen her, but such was not the case. After the warm weather came she grew weaker and weaker. Her mother said to her a few days before her death, "Carrie, if it is the Lord's will that you should be taken, are you ready?" And she said, "Oh, yes, mamma, I have

settled that long ago, and am ready to go." Mrs. Warfield writes me: "Sister's death was so peaceful and calm; she was like one going to sleep." I saw the remains of her father and husband laid to rest on the heights of Lynchburg in beautiful Spring Hill Cemetery, and now she sweetly sleeps beside them, awaiting the glorious awakening of the resurrection mor'n.

"Brighter, fairer far than living,
With no trace of woe or pain,
Robed in everlasting beauty,
We shall see thee once again."

Denver, Colo. DAVID WILSON.

MRS. CATHARINE ANN WARD.

Mrs. Catharine Ann Ward, daughter of Jacob and Ruth Light, and beloved wife of the late Rev. J. T. Ward, D.D., was born in Bedington, W. Va., November 13, 1823, and departed to her home in Heaven June 1, 1899, from the residence of her son-in-law, Dr. T. H. Lewis, at Westminster, Md. There are flowers that burst upon us and startle the eye with the splendor of their beauty. We gaze and turn away, remembering nothing but their gorgeous hues. There are others that refresh the traveller by the sweetness they diffuse, but he has to search for the source of his delight, and he finds it imbedded among green leaves. How welcome is the memory of that flower when the evening breeze is again made fragrant with its perfume. It is thus that the unpretending virtues of true character force themselves upon our regard with their beautiful and soul-refreshing attributes as we think of the life of this noble woman. She was married to Rev. James Thomas Ward May 21, 1845, and entered with him upon the duties of itinerant life in the Gospel ministry. After serving several of the prominent charges of the Maryland Conference, Methodist Protestant Church, they settled in Westminster, Md., where they possessed a beautiful home. Upon the organization of Western Maryland College Dr. Ward became its president, and later president of Westminster Theological Seminary. In all the abundant and efficient labors of this man of God his faithful and devoted wife was a loving helper. Here was an instance where the love of married life, in all its imperishable beauty, outlived the bloom of youth, and we see the possibility of earthly love being kept in all its vigor and freshness, uninjured by the lapse of time, shedding a radiance like the sunset glow of evening around the peaceful passage of old age towards the tomb. In the capacity of a wife and mother we observe her holiest elements of character, and the guardian of immortal being will write upon the records of eternity how faithfully she has fulfilled her trust. Tender, refined, delicate and cheerful, devoted to the happiness of those around her; affectionate, judicious, dignified and intellectual, with a love deep as the very wells of life, mingling with the current of her thoughts and feelings, giving warmth and intensity to all without impairing the force of the purity of any. In

her church relations and friendships also the deep pathos of the feminine heart was found in the greatest perfection, concealed behind the countenance that reflected "the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price." It is in such hearts, whose best offerings are rarely estimated by the world according to their real value, that disinterested affection in all its natural warmth lives and burns for the benefit of others; that enthusiasm and zeal, tempered down by humility, are ever ready for the performance of the duties of life, and that ambition is directed to the attainment and diffusion of more lasting happiness than mere earthly beauty or a superficial view of things can produce. The subject of this sketch was one of that class of exemplary women who pass to and fro upon earth with noiseless step, whose names are seldom heard. Yet among this unpretending class she was a striking and beautiful model of consecrated Christian womanhood, silently accomplishing great and glorious purposes, supported and carried forward by that most valuable of all forces, moral power. Just in proportion as women cultivate this force, under the blessing of Heaven, independently of personal attractions, is their influence over others and their power of doing good Sister Ward was one of those noble-minded women who possess so clear a sense of right and wrong of individual actions as to be of essential service in aiding the judgment of others in those intricate affairs in which it is sometimes difficult to dissever worldly wisdom from religious duty. It is an important consideration that from such women many immortal beings derive that early bias of character which, under Providence, decides their fate not only in this world, but in the world to come. Feeling keenly the loss of her devoted husband whose form we laid in the grave more than two years ago, she was in feeble health for some time, but the end came suddenly. One daughter, Mrs. T. H. Lewis, survives her. The funeral service was held at Dr. Lewis' residence, conducted by the pastor, assisted by Dr. B. F. Benson and Dr. H. L. Elderdice, and her remains were interred by the side of those of her husband in Westminster Cemetery.

Westminster, Md., June 30, 1899. W. R. GRAHAM.

MRS. MARIETTA DICKINSON MILLS.

Mrs. Marietta Dickinson Mills, daughter of James T. and Mary Ann Porter Dickinson, was born April 7th, 1844. In a decidedly Christian home under the best Christian influences, her character was developed and formed, and she was thus prepared in sympathy for the position of a pastor's wife, to which in the providence of God she was called. In her thirteenth year, under the pastorate of Rev. William Mackey, she made a profession of faith in Christ, and united with the Presbyterian Church, with which her father was prominently identified. On November the 25th, 1862, she united in marriage with Rev. Joseph L. Mills, of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church. The cere-

mony was performed by the Rev. J. L. Polk, her pastor. She proved a true wife and helper for nearly thirty-seven years. After a long period of invalidism, following an attack of la grippe, on the 20th of April, 1899, she fell asleep in Jesus in full hope of immortality. Her remains were laid to rest in the Methodist Protestant Cemetery at Pocomoke City, after appropriate services in the Presbyterian Church, conducted by Rev. W. M. Strayer, assisted by Rev. D. L. Greenfield, of the Methodist Protestant, and Rev. Mathison, of the Presbyterian Churches. A noble woman, a loving and devoted wife and mother, a sincere Christian has been removed from the circle in which she has so long moved, and there is a sense of loss which can only be compensated by the memory of the life she lived and the assurance that she is with Christ, which is far better. The long and distressing illness, wasting the body, sometimes clouding the mind, was borne with a fortitude that could only be sustained by the presence and grace of God. She might have prayed to die, but she did not. Through the long days and longer nights she waited her change. Her piety was built on the word of God, and in its deepest centre was keyed by faith in Jesus Christ. Looking into the future, she said: "I do not know where heaven is, but I do know that Christ is mine and I am his, therefore I am safe." During her late illness she said many beautiful things born of her love for her family and her musings about the heavenly home. These sweet words are heart treasures for the bereaved, and may not be spread before the gaze of the world. Her message of love to all she had ever known, and her conscious security in the keeping of Christ are a fit closing of a life of more than a half a century. May grace, mercy and peace, from God our Father and His son Jesus Christ, rest upon and abide with the bereaved husband and children.

W. M. STRAYER.

MRS. MARY HOOD NELSON.

Mrs. Mary Hood Nelson, nee Baxley, wife of Rev. H. E. Nelson, departed this life July 5, 1899, in her twenty-third year, and after tender and appropriate service, conducted by the president of the Conference and the writer, at the home of her parents, we laid her sorrowfully away in the family cemetery, near Jennings' Chapel, on the 7th of July. Thus was ended the first chapter in a brief but beautiful life. Early in life, at a camp-meeting held at Mt. Airy, she was led to Christ, and immediately, like Andrew, brought her brother to the Saviour, and both of them united with the Methodist Protestant Church at Jennings' Chapel. Very soon, because of her excellent qualities, both of mind and character, she became the central personage of the family and loved ones, and steps were taken to give her the training she was most eager to obtain and in every sense capable of appreciating. She entered Western Maryland College in the fall of 1893, and continued through the full course, though with considerable interruptions because of sickness, and graduated with the highest

honors of her class. It will not be disparaging to any one when it is said of her that no student at the college ever made a better record or stood higher in the estimation of the faculty. She could always be relied upon to do excellently well whatever task was laid upon her, and evinced in every sphere a high order of intellect and noble qualities of character. Her first year after leaving college was spent in teaching in Gaithersburg Seminary, where she more than satisfied the high anticipations of the president of the school and her family and friends. The motto of her life was *excelsior*, and she was rarely ever known to fall below the very highest standard. When on the 17th of August, 1898, she was married to Rev. H. E. Nelson, those who knew her best and had been watching her career with thoughtful interest, felt she had entered upon a life for which she was eminently fitted, and not only would her husband find her one "in whom his heart could safely trust," and a true helpmate in his work, but also the church generally would be largely benefitted by her consecrated service. Again her friends were not disappointed. She entered at once into the true spirit of service, and soon won the hearts of the members and friends of Delta Charge, to which Brother Nelson was assigned as pastor, and few mourn her loss more deeply than Delta Church. She reflected great credit upon herself and family in every sphere of her activity and honored and adorned every position she occupied in life. That the sun of her pure noble Christian life should set before the full eventide had come; until the day of usefulness was far spent, and the work of life completed, filled all her family and friends with mingled surprise and sadness, especially as she had just entered upon a life of useful helpful ministration. To whom and to all associated with her life was sweet, and full of hopeful promise. The fitness for life, according to our poor blinded vision, constitutes the unseemliness of the approach of death, and raises the deepest questionings of our nature. Why, O Lord, must the young and useful die? Is there no defense against the king of terror? Must the young and the pure be subjected to all the contingencies of this life? Can we give them no absolute assurance of long life? The voice of nature and human experience, with the deepest solemnity, answers *No*, and wisdom cries in the streets and along the highways of life, "Prepare to live, be not unprepared to die." The death of our young sister would indeed be inexpressibly sad did we not believe she has entered a higher sphere of existence and a larger usefulness, but in the full confidence that she has passed into the presence of her Saviour, and heard His "well done, good and faithful servant," we are prepared to suffer with resignation the will of God, and ever cherish her memory redolent with so many blessed associations. To the sorrowing husband and family we command the Scripture chosen for her funeral service, "We know that all things work together for good to them that love God." "Now, our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God, even our Father, who hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and a good hope through grace, comfort your hearts."

B. P. TRUITT.

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL TABLES.

Collections for General Interests.

No.	CHARGE.	Presid't's Sal.		Confer'ce.		Min. Edu'n.		Theol. Sem'y.		Superan'tes.	
		Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.
		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
1	Accomac	30.00	30.00	5.00	5.00	8.00	8.00	24.00	24.00	51.00	51.00
2	Alexandria	30.00	30.00	4.00	2.50	6.00	3.50	20.00	12.00	42.00	24 75
3	Alnutt Memorial	57.00	57.00	7.80	7.80	13.00	13.00	41.60	41.60	88.40	88.40
4	Amelia	15.00	15.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	2.00	12.00	4.00	25.00	4.00
5	Baltimore	18.00	18.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	4.00	14.00	10.00	30.00	15.00
6	Beaver Dam	8.00	8.00	2.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	6.00	1.00	14.00	4.00
7	Bedford	30 00	30.00	4.00	1.00	6.00	3.00	20.00	20.00	42.00	20.00
8	Belair	25.00	25.00	4.00	2.00	6.00	4.00	20.00	12.00	42.00	26.00
9	Bethany	10.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	8.00	2.00	17.00	4.00
10	Broadway	20.00	20.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34.00
11	Brooklyn	15.00	15.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	12.00	12.00	25.00	22.00
12	Cambridge	25.00	25 00	4.00	2.00	6.00	3.00	20.00	10.00	42.00	25.00
13	Campbell	10.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	8.00	1.00	17.00	5.00
14	Caroline	30.00	30.00	4.00	2.00	6.00	3.00	20.00	10.00	42.00	15.00
15	Cecil	30.00	31.20	4.00	2.00	6.00	3.00	20.00	10.00	42.00	20.00
16	Central	25.00	25.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	20.00	42.00	48.40
17	Centreville	20.00	20.00	3 00	3.00	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34.00
18	Chesapeake	18.00	18.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	14.00	14.00	30.00	30.00
19	Chestertown	42.00	42.00	6.30	3.00	10.50	11.00	33.60	43.33	71.40	71.40
20	Chincoteague	15.00	15.00	2.00	2 00	3.00	3.00	8.00	8.00	17.00	16.00
21	Christ's Church	5.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	2 00	4.00	4.00	8.00	8.00
22	Clayton	20.00	20.00	3 00	2.25	5.00	4.00	16.00	11.00	34.00	22.00
23	Concord	25.00	25.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	16.00	14.00	34.00	20 00
24	Conquest	18.00	18 00	3.00	2.00	5.00	3.00	14.00	8.00	30.00	10.00
25	Crisfield	30.00	30.00	5.00	5.00	8.00	8.00	24.00	24.00	51.00	51.00
26	Crumpton	12.00	12.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	10.00	8.00	21.00	8.00
27	Cumberland	18.00	18.00	3.00	2.50	5.00	3.00	14.00	14.00	30.00	5.00
28	Deer Creek	12.00	12.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	10.00	10.00	21.00	14.00
29	Deer Park	15.00	10.25	2 00	.....	4.00	2.00	12.00	3.00	25.00	2.00
30	Delmar	20.00	20.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	3.00	16.00	10 00	34.00	18.00
31	Delta	18.00	18.00	3.00	1.00	5.00	2.00	14.00	6.00	30.00	10 00
32	Denton	5.00	5.00	1 00	1.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	8.00	8.00
33	Dorchester	20.00	20.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	3.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	16.00
34	Dover	10.00	10.00	2.00	75	3.00	1.25	8.00	4.17	17.00	8.00
35	East Baltimore	40.00	40.00	5.00	5.00	9.00	9.00	28.00	28.00	59.00	49.00
36	Easton	40.00	40.00	5.00	5.00	9.00	55.00	28.00	78.00	59.00	60.00
37	Elizabeth	40.00	40.00	5.00	3.00	9.00	5.00	28.00	15.00	59.00	40.00
38	Eutaw	18.00	18 00	3.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	14 00	10.00	30.00	15.00
39	Evergreen	5.00	5.00	1.00	60	2 00	1.25	4.00	2.00	8.00	2.17
40	Fairfax	8.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	6.00	6.00	14.00	14.00
41	Fawn Grove	20.00	20.00	3.00	2.50	5.00	2.50	16.00	7.50	34.00	17.00
42	Fairview	8.00	.....	2.00	.....	2.00	.....	6.00	.....	14.00	.....
43	Finksburg	25.00	25.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34.00

For the Year Ending April, 1900.

No.	Chur. Exten.		Gen. Home Mis.		Foreign Mis.		Total.		Special for Foreign Missions.	Bible.	Tract.
	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.			
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
1	53.00	53.00	19.50	19.50	36.00	36 00	226.50	226.50	22.81	.50	.50
2	44.00	25.75	16.25	9.81	30 00	17.75	192.25	126.06	59.20	.25	.25
3	91.00	91.00	33.80	33.80	62.40	62.40	295.00	395.00	149.26	5.00	8.00
4	26.00	6.00	9.75	4.00	18.00	5 00	111.75	42.00	11.40	.15	.10
5	32.00	15.00	11.70	11.70	22.00	8.00	135.70	84.70	15.75	1.00	1.00
6	14.00	3.00	5.20	1.00	10 00	3.25	61.20	22.25	.....	.25	.25
7	44.00	20.00	16.25	16 25	30.00	3.40	192.25	113.65	28.08	1.00	1.00
8	44.00	29.00	16.25	11.00	30 00	20 89	187.25	129.89	28.51	.25	.25
9	18.00	4.50	6.50	1.50	12 00	8.00	76.50	32.00	6.00	.....	.....
10	35.00	35.00	13.00	13.00	24.00	24 00	150.00	150.00	28.10	1.00	1.00
11	26.00	20.00	9.75	8.00	18.00	18.00	111.75	101.00	.....	2.00	1.00
12	44.00	30.00	16 25	10.00	30 00	5.00	187.25	110.00	25.00	.50	.50
13	18.00	1.00	6.50	1.00	12.00	2.00	76.50	22.00	.....	.....	.....
14	44.00	30.00	16 25	10.00	30.00	10.00	192.25	110.00	16.00	.25	.25
15	44.00	21.00	16.25	16 25	30.00	3.00	192 25	106.45	62.04	1.00	1.00
16	44.00	51.00	16.25	16.25	30.00	40.00	187.25	210.65	56.08	.50	1.00
17	35.00	35.00	13.00	13.00	24.00	24.00	150.00	150.00	35.00	1.00	1.00
18	32.00	32.00	11.70	11.70	22.00	22.00	135.70	135.70	20.42	1.50	1.50
19	73.50	73.50	27.30	27.30	50.40	50.40	315.00	321.93	54.40	1.00	1.00
20	18.00	16.00	6.50	6.50	12.00	.....	81.50	66.50	12.13	.25	.25
21	9.00	9.00	3.25	3 25	6.00	6.00	38.25	38.25	10.15	.35	.25
22	35.00	23.00	13.00	8 75	24.00	11.26	150.00	102.26	19.26	4.00	.75
23	35.00	17.00	13.00	10.00	24.00	2.00	155.00	95.00	24.28	.50	.50
24	32.00	10.00	11.70	5.00	22.00	18.00	135.70	74.00	.....	.50	.50
25	53.00	53.00	19.50	19 50	36.00	36 00	226.50	226.50	40.00	1 00	1.00
26	21.00	8.00	7.80	5.00	14 00	5.62	89.80	50.62	17.10	.....	.....
27	32.00	10.00	11.70	11 70	22.00	.....	135.70	64.20	30.00	.50	.50
28	21.00	14.00	7.80	7.80	14.00	14.00	89.80	75.80	2.71	1.50	.55
29	26.00	1.00	9.75	1.00	18.00	2.00	111.75	21.25	14.00	1.00	1.00
30	35.00	17.00	13.00	10.00	24.00	12.00	150.00	92.00	.....	1.00	1.00
31	32.00	5.00	11.70	4.00	22.00	10.12	135.70	56.12	.....	.25	.25
32	9.00	9.00	3.25	3.25	6 00	6.00	38.25	38.25	23.00	1.00	1.00
33	35.00	20.00	13.00	10.00	24 00	24.00	150.00	111.00	7.00	1.00	1.00
34	18.00	7.25	6.50	3.00	12.00	2.75	76.50	37.17	8.25	.05	.05
35	61.00	50.00	22.75	17.00	42.00	37.00	266.75	235.00	100.45	2.00	2.25
36	61.00	210.00	22.75	37.00	42 00	50.00	266.75	535.00	35.00	234.00	200.00
37	61.00	24 00	22 75	12.00	42 00	42 00	266.75	181.00	42.73	.....	.....
38	32.00	20 00	11.70	7.00	22.00	22.00	135 70	87.00	24.00	1.00	1.00
39	9 00	2.50	3.25	1.50	6 00	1.50	38.25	6.52	5.00	.15	.15
40	14 00	14 00	5.20	5.20	10 00	10.00	61.20	63.20	9.69	.25	.25
41	35 00	17.00	13.00	7.00	24 00	11.00	150.00	84.50	33.07	2.00	2.20
42	14 00	.....	5.20	.....	10.00	.....	61.20	.....	.....	.....	.....
43	35.00	35 00	13.00	13.00	24 00	24.00	155.00	155.00	46.55	2.00	2.00

Collections for General Interests.

No.	CHARGE.	Presid't's Sal.		Confer'ce.		Min. Edu'n.		Theol. Sem'y.		Superan'tes.	
		Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.
		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
44	First Ch., D.C....	25.00	25.00	4.00	3.00	6.00	5.00	20.00	19.00	42.00	30.00
45	Franklin City....	20.00	20.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	3.00	16.00	10.00	34.00	20 00
46	Frederick	20.00	20.00	3.00	1.00	5.00	3.00	16.00	11.00	34.00	22.00
47	Felton.....	18.00	18.00	3.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	14.00	7.00	30.00	15.00
48	Frederica.....	10.00	7.72	2.00	.....	3.00	.....	8.00	.....	17.00	.....
49	Fairfield.....	15.00	15.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	3.00	12.00	12.00	25.00	25.00
50	Fox Hill.....	.....	5.00	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....
51	Georgetown D. C	50.00	50.00	8.00	8.00	13.00	13.00	40.00	40.00	86.00	86.00
52	Georg'town, Del	15.00	15.10	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	12.00	12.00	25.00	25.00
53	Georg'town Cir't	10.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	8.00	6.00	17.00	14.00
54	Grove	18.00	18.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	14.00	14.00	30.00	15.00
55	Greenwood.....	18.00	18.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	4.00	14.00	12.00	30.00	25.00
56	Hampden.....	30.00	30.00	5.00	5.00	8.00	8.00	24.00	24.00	51 00	51.00
57	Harper's Ferry..	20.00	20.00	2.00	1.00	4.00	1.50	12.00	3.50	25.00	8.00
58	Harrington.....	20.00	20.00	3.00	1.75	5.00	3.00	16.00	9.00	34.00	20.00
59	Howard	18.00	18.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	14 00	14.00	30.00	30.00
60	Hurlock.	10.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	8.00	11.00	17.00	17.00
61	Holly Run.....	15.00	15.00	2.00	1.00	4.00	2.00	12.00	4.00	25.00	5.00
62	Indian River.....	.....	5.00	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.55
63	Jefferson	45.00	45.00	6.00	6.00	10.00	10.00	32.00	35.00	68.00	68.00
64	Kennedyville....	15.00	15.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	12.00	11.00	25.00	19.00
65	Kemptown	18.00	18.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	2.00	14.00	14.00	30.00	15.00
66	Kent Island.....	18.00	18.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	14.00	14.00	30.00	30.00
67	Laurel, Del.....	32.00	32.00	5.00	5.00	8.00	8.00	24.00	24.00	53.00	53.00
68	Leipsic.....	8.00	8.00	2.00	50	2.00	1.35	6.00	3.00	14.00	5.00
69	Lewistown.....	8.00	3.63	2.00	.....	2.00	.....	6.00	.....	14.00	.....
70	Liberty.....	20.00	20.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	30.00
71	Lisbon.....	30.00	30.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	23.00	42.00	42.00
72	Lynchburg.....	25.00	25.00	4.00	1 00	6.00	3.00	20.00	5.00	42.00	9.00
73	Lawsonia	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
74	Mariner's.....	20.00	20.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34.00
75	Mardela.....	10.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	8.00	2.00	17.00	2.00
76	Middleway.....	10.00	10.00	2 00	1.00	3.00	2.00	8.00	5.00	17.00	9.00
77	Milton	10.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	8.00	5.00	17.00	14.00
78	Millville.....	10.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	3.00	1.50	8.00	7.00	17.00	6.00
79	Mt. Tabor.....	20.00	20.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	3.00	16.00	10.00	34.00	22 00
80	Mt. Nebo.....	12.00	12.00	2.00	1.20	2.00	1.00	10.00	3.00	21.00	2.76
81	Montgomery	5.00	5.00	1.00	36	2.00	1.00	4.00	1.00	8.00	1.00
82	Newark.....	55.00	55.00	8.00	8.00	13.00	12.00	40.00	40.00	86.00	79 00
83	N. E. Avenue....	18.00	18.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	14.00	14.00	30.00	30.00
84	New Market.....	25.00	25.00	4.00	1.85	6.00	2.76	20.00	20.00	42.00	16.20
85	North Baltimore	20.00	20.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34.00
86	Nichols Mem'l...	5.00	10 00	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	8.00	8.00

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No.	Chur. Exten. Assess	Chur. Exten. Paid.	Gen. Home Mis. Assess	Gen. Home Mis. Paid.	Foreign Mis. Assess	Foreign Mis. Paid.	Total. Assess	Total. Paid.	Special for Foreign Missions.	Bible.	Tract.
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
44	44.00	28.00	16.25	12.00	30.00	10 00	187.25	132.00	55.00	1.00	1:00
45	35.00	20.00	13 00	5.00	24.00	10.00	150.00	90.00	8.29	1.00	1.00
46	35.00	24.00	13.00	7.00	24.00	15 00	150.00	103.00	102.00	1.00	1.00
47	32.00	10.00	11.70	5.00	22.00	5.00	135.70	62.00	5.25	.25	.25
48	18.00	.....	6.50	.....	12.00	.....	76.50	7.72	.....	.....	.....
49	26.00	25.00	9.75	7.06	18 00	15.00	111.75	104.06	24.04	1.00	1.00
50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	12.82	.....	.....
51	88.00	88.00	22.50	32.50	60.00	60.00	377.50	377.50	221.20	5.00	5.00
52	26.00	26.00	9.75	9.75	18.00	18.00	111.75	111.85	16.26	.65	2.00
53	18.00	11.75	6.50	6.50	12.00	.....	76.50	51.25	16.00	.50	1.25
54	32.00	11.20	11.70	11.70	22.00	13.00	135.70	90.90	12.00	.50	.50
55	32.00	32.00	11.70	9.00	22.00	15.00	135.70	117.00	.....	1.00	1.00
56	53.00	53.00	19.50	19.50	36.00	8.00	226.50	198.50	77.79	1.00	1.00
57	26.00	4.00	9.75	3 00	18.00	7 00	116.75	48.00	6.00	.25	.25
58	35.00	17.00	13.00	7 00	24.00	5.00	150.00	82.75	18.80	.50	.25
59	32.00	32.00	11.70	11.70	22.00	22 00	135.70	135.70	.....	1.00	1.00
60	18.00	18.00	6.50	6.50	12.00	12 00	76.50	79.50	30.00	1.00	1.00
61	26.00	5.00	9.75	3.00	18.00	5.00	111.75	40.00	5.00	.25	.25
62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.05	7.52	.....	.....
63	72 00	72.00	26.00	26.00	48 00	51.65	307.00	313.65	130.17	5.00	5.00
64	26.00	18.00	9.75	4.50	18.00	10 00	111.75	83.50	68.00	1.00	1.00
65	32.00	20.00	11.70	3.00	22 00	22.00	135.70	96.00	.....	.50	.50
66	32.00	28.00	11.70	9.00	22.00	4.00	135.70	111.00	15.00	.77	.77
67	55.00	55 00	20.80	20.80	40.00	40.00	237.80	237.80	116.08	5.43	1.25
68	14.00	4.25	5.20	2.50	10 00	1.58	61.20	26.18	10.00	.05	.05
69	14.00	.....	5.20	.....	10.00	.....	61.20	3.63	.....	.....	.....
70	35.00	30.00	13.00	10.00	24.00	24.00	150.00	138.00	32.25	1.00	1.00
71	44.00	44.00	16.25	16.25	30.00	30 00	192.25	195.25	83.99	1.50	1.00
72	44.00	5.00	16 25	7.00	30.00	14.55	187.25	69.55	78.00	1.00	1.00
73	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....
74	35 00	35.00	13.00	13.00	24.00	24.00	150.00	150.00	16.45	.50	.50
75	18.00	1.00	6.50	2.00	12 00	1.00	76.50	20.00	.....	1.00	1.00
76	18.00	10.00	6.50	4.00	12 00	5.00	76.50	46.00	3.00	.25	.25
77	18 00	16.00	6.50	4.00	12.00	12.00	76.50	65.00	8.60	1.00	1.00
78	18.00	3.00	6 50	3.00	12.00	1 00	76.50	32.50	7.85	.25	.25
79	35.00	22 00	13.00	13.00	24.00	15 00	150.00	107.00	8.00	.50	.50
80	21.00	2.50	7.80	5.00	14.00	2.50	89.80	29.76	5.25	.28	.31
81	9.00	2.00	3.25	1.00	6 00	1.00	38.25	12.36	.....	.....	.....
82	88.00	83.25	32.50	32.00	60.00	40.00	382.50	350.25	48.30	3.00	2.00
83	32.00	43.00	11.70	13.00	22 00	22.00	135.70	148.00	5.00	1.00	1.00
84	44.00	20.20	16.25	7.35	30 00	13.80	187.25	107.16	74.50	1.50	1.25
85	35 00	35.00	13 00	13.00	24.00	24.00	150.00	150.00	100 96	1.50	1.50
86	9.00	9.00	3.25	4.00	6.00	6.00	38.25	44.00	13.50	.50	.50

Collection for General Interests

No.	CHARGE.	Presid't's Sal.		Conference.		Min. Educa'n		Theol. Sem'y.		Superan'tes.	
		Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.
		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
87	Oxford.....	20.00	20.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34.00
88	Oak Grove.....	15.00	15.00	2.00	1.25	4.00	1.50	12 00	7.00	25.00	11.00
89	Prince Geo., Va..	5.00	5.00	1.00	50	2.00	1.00	4.00	2.00	8.00	2.00
90	Pipe Creek.....	20.00	20.00	3.00	3.00	5 00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34.00
91	Pittsville	12.00	12.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2 00	10 00	10 00	21.00	21 00
92	Pocomoke	15.00	15.00	2.00	1.50	4.00	4.00	12.00	10 00	25 00	10.00
93	Pocomoke City..	45 00	45.00	6.00	6 00	10.00	10.00	32.00	32.00	68.00	68.00
94	Powellsville	15.00	15 00	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	12 00	12 00	25 00	25.00
95	Patapsco	5.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	8.00	8.00
96	Payson Street....	10.00	10.00	2.00	50	3.00	1.00	8.00	1.00	17.00	5.00
97	Potomac.....	15.00	15.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	12.00	12.00	25.00	25.00
98	Quantico	12.00	12.00	2.00	1 00	2.00	2.00	10.00	5 00	21.00	5.00
99	Queen Anne's...	12.00	12 00	2.00	2 00	2.00	2.00	10.00	10.00	21.00	21.00
100	Reliance.....	12.00	12.00	2.00	1.00	2 00	2.00	10.00	10.00	21.00	21.00
101	Rowlandsville ...	12.00	12.00	2.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	10.00	8.00	21.00	5.00
102	Remington.....	12.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	10.00	7.00	21.00	10.00
103	St. James'.....	30.00	30.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	20 00	42.00	42.00
104	St. John's, Cant..	10.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	8.00	8.00	17.00	7.30
105	St. Michael's.....	15.00	15.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	12.00	12.00	25.00	25.00
106	St. Luke's.....	25.00	25.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	2.00	20.00	2.00	42.00	5.00
107	Salisbury.....	20.00	20.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34.00
108	Seaford	20.00	20.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34.00
109	Snow Hill.....	18.00	18.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	2.00	14.00	10.00	30.00	20.00
110	Salem.....	12.00	12.00	2.00	1.50	2 00	2.00	10.00	10.00	21.00	15.00
111	South Baltimore	20.00	20.00	3.00	1.75	5.00	4.00	16.00	10.00	34.00	20.00
112	Starr.....	55.00	55.00	8.00	5.00	13.00	10.00	40 00	40.00	86.00	50.00
113	Stewartstown....	18.00	15.11	3.00	1.50	5.00	3.00	14.00	10.00	30.00	21.00
114	Susquehanna	25.00	25.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	20.00	42.00	42.00
115	Sussex	20.00	20.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34 00
116	Talbot.....	10.00	10.00	2.00	1 00	3.00	3.00	8.00	8.00	17 00	14.00
117	Trinity.....	25.00	25.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	20.00	42.00	42.00
118	Tyreeanna.....	5.00	.....	1 00	.....	2.00	.....	4.00	.....	8.00	.....
119	Union.....	25.00	25.00	4 00	3.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	20.00	42.00	21.00
120	Union Bridge.....	20.00	20.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	16.00	16.00	34.00	34.00
121	Violetsville	5.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	2 00	1.00	4.00	4.00	8.00	6.00
122	Warwick	15.00	15.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	3.00	12.00	8.00	25.00	12.00
123	Waltersville.....	15.00	15.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	12.00	12.00	25.00	25.00
124	Waverly.....	8 00	8.00	2.00	50	2.00	1.00	6.00	2.00	14.00	4.00
125	West Baltimore..	55.00	55.00	8.00	8.00	13.00	13.00	40.00	40.00	86.00	86.00
126	Westminster.....	50.00	50.00	6.75	5.00	11.25	8.00	36.00	36.00	76.50	50.00
127	Williamsport	8.00	8.00	2.00	20	2.00	25	6.00	35	14.00	25
128	Wilmington	10.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	8.00	5.00	17.00	10.00
129	W. Wilmington..	8.00	8 00	2.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	6.00	5.00	14.00	6.00
130	Wye.....	10.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	8.00	8.00	17.00	17.00
131	Wicomico	10.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	3.00	3.00	8.00	7.00	17.00	12 00
132	St. John's Ind....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70.68
		2485.00	2474.01	383.85	298.56	611.75	527.66	1897.20	1667.17	4027.30	2991.86

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No.	Chur. Exten.		Gen. Ho Mis.		Foreign Mis.		Total.		Special for Foreign Missions.	Bible.	Tract.
	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.			
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
87	35.00	35.00	13.00	13.00	24.00	24.00	150.00	150.00	49.35	1.00	1.00
88	26.00	14.00	9.75	4.00	18.00	10.00	111.75	63.75	15.00	50	50
89	9.00	4.00	3.25	1.00	6.00	1.21	38.25	16.71	1.26	25	25
90	35 00	35.00	13.00	13 00	24.00	24.00	150.00	150.00	76.75	1.25	1.25
91	21.00	21.00	7.80	7.80	14.00	8.00	89.80	83.80	12.40	1.00	1.00
92	26.00	5.75	9 75	8.00	18.00	4 00	111.75	58.25	15.00	25	25
93	72.00	72.00	26.00	26.00	48.00	48.00	307.00	307 00	69.00	1.00	1.00
94	26.00	26.00	9.75	9.75	18.00	18 00	111.75	111.75	3.30	65	50
95	9.00	9.00	3.25	3.25	6.00	6.00	38.25	38.25	.....	25	25
96	18.00	5.00	6.50	50	12.00	2.00	76.50	25.00	.....	10	15
97	26.00	26.00	9 75	9.75	18.00	18.00	111.75	111.75	.....	.....	.....
98	21.00	10.00	7.80	7.00	14.00	1 00	89.80	43.00	12.17	.....	.....
99	21.00	11.50	7.80	7.80	14.00	14.00	89.80	80.30	49.42	75	50
100	21.00	21.00	7.80	7.80	14.00	7.00	89.80	81.80	30.25	25	25
101	21.00	8.00	7.80	5 00	14.00	5.00	89.80	46.00	.....	50	50
102	21.00	2.00	7.80	4.00	14 00	.....	89.80	35.00	10.00	50	50
103	44.00	44.00	16.25	16.25	30.00	30.00	192.25	192.25	48.24	1.00	1.00
104	18.00	6.00	6 50	6.50	12.00	12.00	76.50	54.80	.....	25	25
105	26.00	26.00	9.75	10 00	18.00	18 00	111.75	112.00	8 25	2.00	2.00
106	44.00	6.00	16.25	2.00	30.00	5.00	187 25	53 00	.....	50	50
107	35.00	35.00	13.00	13.00	24.00	24.00	150.00	150.00	15.28	1.00	2.00
108	35.00	35 00	13.00	13.00	24.00	24.00	150.00	150.00	32.10	5.00	1.00
109	32.00	19 00	11.70	7.00	22.00	13.00	135.70	92.00	18.75	1 00	1.00
110	21.00	14.00	7.80	6 00	14.00	5.00	89.80	65.50	18.50	50	50
111	35.00	20.00	13.00	8 00	24.00	15.00	150.00	98.75	18.73	1.00	1.00
112	88.00	40.00	32 50	20.00	60.00	60.00	382.50	280.00	70.69	3.00	3.00
113	32.00	15 00	11.70	5 00	22.00	2.00	135.70	72.61	20.00	50	50
114	44 00	44.00	16.25	16.25	30.00	30.00	187.25	187.25	45.92	2.00	2.00
115	35.00	30.76	13.00	10.50	24.00	24.00	150.00	143.26	66.33	1.71	2.00
116	18.00	5.00	6.50	2.00	12.00	7.00	76.50	50 00	.....	25	25
117	44.00	44 00	16 25	16.25	30 00	30 00	187.25	187.25	45.20	.....	.....
118	9.00	.....	3.25	.....	6.00	.....	38.25	.....	.....	.....	.....
119	44.00	22.00	16.25	7.25	30 00	30 90	187.25	134.25	50 00	1.00	1 00
120	35.00	35.00	13.00	13 00	24.00	24.00	150 00	150.00	17.16	2.00	2.00
121	9 00	8.00	3.25	2.50	6.00	3.00	38.25	30 50	.....	.50	.50
122	26.00	5 00	9.75	5.00	18 00	10.00	111 75	60 00	20.00	1.00	1 00
123	26.00	26.00	9.75	9 75	18.00	18.00	111 75	111.75	14 36	1.00	1.00
124	14.00	4.00	5.20	1.70	10.00	3 36	61.20	24 56	6.89	25	25
125	88.00	88.00	32.50	32.50	60.00	60.00	382 50	382.50	403.98	5.00	*117.50
126	78.75	37.65	29.25	14.65	54.00	35.00	342.50	236.30	33.48	2.00	2.00
127	14.00	25	5.20	50	10.00	1.50	61.20	11.30	.....	25	25
128	18.00	9.00	6.50	2.00	12.00	8.00	76.50	47.00	13.05	50	50
129	14.00	4.00	5.20	4.00	10.00	4.00	61.20	34.00	.....	50	50
130	18.00	18.00	6.50	6.50	12.00	8.00	76.50	72.50	30.00	75	75
131	18.00	17.00	6.50	6.00	12.00	4.00	76.50	60.00	16.00	50	50
132	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	86.18	160.00	50.00	50.00
	4,189.25	2,826.35	1,547.00	1,197.87	2,862.80	1,933.76	18,004.15	13,917.24	4,089.82	408.09	478.08

*Rev. J. T. Murray contributed $112 50.

Collections for Local Interests and Totals for all

No.	CHARGES.	Pastr's Salary. Assess.	Pastr's Salary. Paid.	Rental Value of Parsonages	Current Expenses.	Sun'y School Expenses.	Building and Improveme'ts.
		$	$	$	$	$	$
1	Accomac	1,000.00	1,000.00	40.00	200.00	150.00	500.00
2	Alexandria	700.00	700.00	200.00	489.84	302.81	83.07
3	Alnutt Memorial	1,200.00	1,200.00	300.00	744.40	217.59	646.35
4	Amelia	310.00	310.00	.....	18.00	15.00	.....
5	Baltimore	500.00	510.00	150.00	100.00	.....	243.00
6	Beaver Dam	350.00	350.00	60.00	25 00	23.20	211.75
7	Bedford	600.00	610.00	60.00	50.00	100.00	75.00
8	Belair	850.00	850.00	150.00	500.00	36.00	5,000.00
9	Bethany	500.00	400.00	.....	185.00	40.00	300.00
10	Broadway	624.00	624.00	.....	554.20	168.70	693.15
11	Brooklyn	500.00	505.00	.....	122.45	51.72	41.00
12	Cambridge	700.00	700.00	150.00	200.00	75.00	100.00
13	Campbell	200.00	200.00	.....	.....	30.00	3.00
14	Caroline	600.00	600.00	75.00	54.00	47.50	.....
15	Cecil	700.00	800.00	100.00	300.00	50.00	3,000.00
16	Central	1,000.00	1,000.00	420.00	278.63	123.10	.....
17	Centreville	600.00	600.00	200.00	584.83	41,71	.....
18	Chesapeake	500.00	500.00	100.00	92.65	57.98	119.24
19	Chestertown	1,000.00	1,050.00	300.00	300.00	250.00	750.00
20	Chincoteague	600.00	600.00	100.00	85.00	35.00	100.00
21	Christ's Church	364.00	364.00	.....	534.84	84.16	.....
22	Clayton	600.00	600.00	120.00	77.00	47.72	38.00
23	Concord	450.00	450.00	45.00	110.00	51.00	50.00
24	Conquest	600.00	600.00	75.00	200.00	120.00	1,400.00
25	Crisfield	900.00	900.00	120.00	900.00	220.00	... ..
26	Crumpton	400.00	359.55	.....	79.95	34.62	126.87
27	Cumberland	600.00	330.38	180.00	113.50	57,25	1,335.00
28	Deer Creek	325.00	325.00	.....	80.24	38.56	34.79
29	Deer Park	375.00	296.00	.....	50.00	75.00	75.00
30	Delmar	650 00	665.00	100.00	150.00	60.00	50.00
31	Delta	500.00	500.00	.....	122.44	44.00	9.96
32	Denton	260 00	260.00	.....	179.94	58.89	120.00
33	Dorchester	650.00	626.75	75.00	150.00	50.00	2,700.00
34	Dover	450.00	450.00	.....	187.51	36.37	.....
35	East Baltimore	1,000.00	1,000.00	240.00	1,008.61	160.83	.....
36	Easton	800.00	800 00	200.00	460.00	40.00	.....
37	Elizabeth	1,200.00	1,200.00	.....	941.26	227.64	.....
38	Eutaw	500.00	500.00	150.00	75.00	50.00	20.00
39	Evergreen	207.00	207.00	.....	137.00	58.06	137.17
40	Fairfax	240.00	335.52	.....	31.50	81.04	1,850.00
41	Fawn Grove	600.00	600.00	40.00	91.00	76.00	22.00
42	Fairview	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
43	Finksburg	600.00	600.00	100.00	129 00	110.00	2,400.00
44	First Church	700.00	700.00	275.00	1,275.00	160.00	12.00

Purposes for the Year Ending April, 1900.

No.	Church and Parsonage Debt.	Total amount of money raised for Local Interests.	Miscellaneous Purposes.	Total Paid for General Interests.	Total Paid for Local Interests.	Special.	Total Paid for all Purposes.
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
1	1,500.00	3,390.00	.....	255.31	3,390.00	.....	3,645.31
2	50.00	1,825.72	31.11	190.76	1,825.72	31.11	2,047.59
3	.....	3,108.34	74.25	565.26	3,108.34	74.25	3,747.85
4	.....	343.00	.....	53.90	343.00	.....	396.90
5	200.00	1,203.00	.....	104.45	1,203.00	.....	1,307.45
6	.....	669.95	5.09	22.75	669.95	5.09	697.79
7	50.00	945.00	12.00	157.73	945.00	12.00	1,114.73
8	200.00	6,736.00	73.55	163.90	6,736.00	73.55	6,973.45
9	.....	925 00	.....	41.00	925.00	.....	966.00
10	500.00	2,540.05	28.00	185.10	2,540.05	28.00	2,753.15
11	1,025.00	1,745.17	5.00	109.00	1,745.17	5.00	1,859.17
12	60.00	1,285 00	.....	136.00	1,285.00	.....	1,421.00
13	.....	233.00	.....	22.00	233.00	.....	255.00
14	12.00	788.50	156.00	127.50	788.50	156.00	1,072.00
15	75.00	4,325.00	.....	171.49	4,325.00	.....	4,496 49
16	.....	1,822.73	239.89	277.23	1,821.73	239.89	2,338.85
17	.....	1,426.54	189.00	192.00	1,426.54	189.00	1,807.54
18	.....	869.87	77.11	164.12	869.87	77.11	1,111.10
19	.....	2,650.00	950.00	384.33	2,650.00	950.00	3,984.33
20	40.00	960.00	.....	82.13	960.00	.....	1,042.13
21	90.00	1,073.00	.....	50.00	1,073.00	.....	1,123.00
22	111.61	994.33	10.00	131.27	994.33	10.00	1,135.60
23	113.47	819.47	5.00	126.46	819.47	5.00	950.93
24	550.00	2,945.00	185.00	78.00	2,945.00	185.00	3,208.00
25	1,000.00	3,140.00	105.00	268.50	3,140.00	105.00	3,513.50
26	.....	600.99	.....	67.90	600.99	.....	668.96
27	7.00	2,023.13	36.00	96.20	2,023.13	36.00	2,155.33
28	33.52	512.11	39.96	85.56	512.11	39.96	637.63
29	100.00	596.00	.....	37.25	596.00	.....	633.25
30	160.00	1,185.00	.....	95.00	1,185.00	.....	1,280.00
31	110.00	786.40	76.00	56.62	786.40	76.00	919.02
32	1,600.00	2,218.83	5.90	65.25	2,218.83	5.90	2,289.98
33	100.00	3,701.75	158.00	125.00	3,701.75	158.00	3,984.75
34	100.00	773.88	.....	45.77	773.88	.....	819.65
35	200.00	2 609.44	89.00	345.70	2,609.44	89.00	3,044.14
36	.....	2 100.00	.....	1,089.00	2 100.00	.....	3,189.00
37	151.00	2,519.90	68.49	223.70	2,519.90	68.49	2,812.12
38	23.00	818.00	11.20	115.00	818.00	11.20	944.20
39	.....	539.23	32.94	21.82	539.23	32.94	593.99
40	.....	2,298.06	.....	78.39	2,298.06	.....	2,376.45
41	.....	829.00	35.31	121.77	829.00	35.31	986.08
42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
43	175.00	3 514.00	173.00	215.55	3,514.00	173.00	3,902.55
44	5,500.00	7,922.00	.....	189.00	7,922.00	.....	8,111.00

Collections for Local Interests and Totals for All

No.	CHARGES	Pastor' Salary. Assess.	Pastor' Salary. Paid.	Rental Value of Parsonage.	Current Expenses.	Sabbath School Expenses.	Building and Improvements.
		$	$	$	$	$	$
45	Franklin City	600.00	560.00	75.00	115.00	100.00	275.00
46	Frederick	425.00	425.00	.....	90.00	140.00	450.00
47	Felton	500.00	500 00	45.00	45.00	15.00	.....
48	Frederica	300.00	177.50	40.00	50.70	3.70	38.00
49	Fairfield	500.00	500.00	.....	.....	16.00	900.00
50	Fox Hill	300.00	300.00	.....	25.69	48.51	1,100.00
51	Georgetown, D. C.	1,200.00	1 200.00	500.00	1,476.00	176.75	182.00
52	Georgetown, Del	500.00	500.00	78.00	100.00	183.96	69.86
53	Georgetown Circuit	300.00	325.93	.....	74.00	20.00	375.00
54	Grove	450.00	440.00	60 00	96.00	50.00	24.31
55	Greenwood	500.00	500.00	75.00	44.75	34.00	419.00
56	Hampden	800.00	800.00	150.00	454.42	375.92	629.50
57	Harper's Ferry	500.00	450.00	48.00	50.00	12.00	.....
58	Harrington	700.00	700.00	75.00	125.00	140.00	50.00
59	Howard	500.00	500.00	100.00	48.50	20.00	1,249.98
60	Hurlock	410.00	410.00	.....	69.00	66.50	100.00
61	Holly Run	325.00	335.00	.....	40.00	20.00	215.00
62	Indian River	60,00	60.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
63	Jefferson	800.00	800.00	200.00	346.52	127.00	43.00
64	Kennedyville	500.00	500.00	.....	147.82	27.19	150.00
65	Kempton	600.00	600.00	72.00	175.00	100.00	200.00
66	Kent Island	500.00	500.00	100.00	130.00	20.00	70.00
67	Laurel	800.00	800.00	125.00	125.51	118.04	64.30
68	Leipsic	250.00	250.00	.....	8.68	44.88	27.00
69	Lewistown	200.00	60.00	.....	70.00	.....	.....
70	Liberty	550.00	550.00	100.00	175.00	75.00	500.00
71	Lisbon	600.00	600.00	75.00	125.00	45.00	.....
72	Lynchburg	840 00	742.09	.....	440.00	51.85	14.75
73	Lawsonia	200.00	200.00	.....	68.00	36.20	1,200.00
74	Mariners	600.00	600.00	150.00	110.00	175.85	72.50
75	Mardella	100.00	90.00	.....	.....	33.64	48.50
76	Middleway	300.00	254.16	30.00	9.00	8.00	26.00
77	Milton	500.00	500.00	60.00	100.00	20.00	259.00
78	Millville	200.00	200.00	.....	25.00	25.00	350.00
79	Mt. Tabor	500.00	507.47	.....	221.00	35.71	200.00
80	Mt. Nebo	400.00	297.70	.....	46.02	21.83	8.23
81	Montgomery	100.00	100.00	.....	5.00	10.00	6.00
82	Newark	1,500.00	1,500.00	.....	2,350.00	290.00	340 00
83	N. C. Avenue	600.00	600.00	.....	123.95	133.01	2,038.09
84	New Market	700.00	700.00	96 00	212.00	151.00	418.64
85	N. Baltimore	600.00	600.00	.....	358.21	130.22	99.07
86	Nichols' Memorial	300.00	300.00	.....	33.50	22.60	113.00
87	Oxford	500.00	550.00	.....	188.86	90.24	429.25
88	Oak Grove	325.00	325.00	.....	34.00	20.00	190.00

Purposes for the Year Ending April, 1900.

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	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
45	150.00	1,275.00	10.00	103.29	1,275.00	10.00	1,388.29
46	.....	1,105.00	28.00	222.25	1,105.00	28.00	1,355.25
47	120.00	825.00	17 37	68.25	825.00	17.37	910.62
48	6.00	315.90	.....	7 72	315.90	.....	323.62
49	.....	1,416.00	.....	137.10	1,416.00	.....	1,553.10
50	.....	1 474.20	10.00	22.82	1,474.20	10.00	1,507.02
51	.....	3,534.72	794.71	625.70	3,534.75	794.71	4,955.16
52	.....	931.83	20.18	133.81	931.82	20.18	1,085.81
53	.....	794.93	.....	70.30	794.93	.....	865.23
54	.....	670.31	10.00	110.90	670.31	10.00	791.21
55	.....	1,072.75	26.25	121.00	1 072.75	26.25	1.220.00
56	.....	2,409.84	83.95	295.39	2 409.84	83.95	2 789.18
57	225.00	785 00	.....	54.50	785.00	.....	839,50
58	.....	1,090.00	99.00	102.30	1 090.00	99.00	1,291.30
59	.....	1 918.48	.....	138 70	1,918.48	.....	2,057.18
60	150.00	795.50	36.00	116.50	795.50	36.00	948.00
61	.....	610.00	.....	46.00	610.00	.....	656.00
62	.....	125.00	.....	14.57	125.00	.....	139.57
63	.....	1,516.52	253.18	478.82	1,516.52	253.18	2,248.52
64	110.00	935.01	41.74	167.80	935.01	41.74	1,144.05
65	.....	1 147.00	10.00	101.00	1,147.00	10.00	1,258 00
66	.....	820.00	90.50	132.54	820.00	90.50	1 043.04
67	.....	1 232.85	158.90	365.56	1,232.85	158.90	1,757.31
68	.....	330.56	.....	36.53	330.56	.....	367.09
69	.....	130.00	.....	3.63	130.00	.....	133.63
70	.....	1 400.00	.....	175.25	1,400.00	.....	1,575.25
71	60.00	905.00	.....	286.74	905.00	.....	1,191.74
72	34.78	1.283.47	.....	149.55	1,283.47	26.74	1 459.76
73	.....	1 504.20	8.65	5.00	1 504.20	8.65	1,517.85
74	338.13	1.446.48	70.00	169.45	1 446.48	70.00	1,685.93
75	325.00	497.14	16.00	23.00	497.14	16.00	536.14
76	.....	327.16	8.00	52.50	327.16	8.00	387.66
77	.....	939.00	11.04	78.60	939.00	11.04	1,028.64
78	10.00	610 00	15.00	40.85	610.00	15.00	665 85
79	81.56	1,045.74	10.40	121.00	1 045.74	10.40	1,177.14
80	58.18	431.96	37.27	38.60	431.96	37.27	507.83
81	.....	121.00	.....	13.36	121.00	.....	134.36
82	.....	4 480.00	40.00	408.55	4 480.00	40.00	4,928.55
83	.....	2 895.05	7.95	160.00	2.895 05	7.95	3,063.00
84	251.00	1 828 64	20.00	204.41	1,828.64	20.00	2,053.05
85	955.23	2 142.73	200.17	258.96	2 142.73	200.17	2,601.86
86	.....	469.10	19.13	59.00	469.10	19.13	547.23
87	.....	1,258.35	46.89	202.35	1,258.35	46.89	1,507.59
88	.....	569.00	5.00	82.25	569.00	5.00	656.25

Collections for Local Interests and Totals for all

No.	CHARGES.	Pastr's Salary. Assess.	Pastr's Salary. Paid.	Rental Value of Parsonages.	Current Expenses.	Sabbath School Expenses.	Build'ig and Improvements.
		$	$	$	$	$	$
89	Prince George, Va..	75.00	75.00	.....	25.00	5.00	130 00
90	Pipe Creek.....	500.00	500.00	.....	208.00	56.50	26.85
91	Pittsville	605.00	555.00	50.00	54.00	50.90	105.00
92	Pocomoke.....	375.00	380.00	.....	25.00	75 00	90.00
93	Pocomoke City.	850.00	850.00	150.00	160.00	177.78	65.00
94	Powellville	390.00	405.00	40.00	35.00	.....	139.50
95	Patapsco	.....	90.50	.....	18.00	.....	.....
96	Payson Street.....	416.00	416.00	.....	246.75	61.00	44.00
97	Potomac.....	450.00	450.00	120 00	50.00	20.00	300.00
98	Quantico	300.00	270.00	.....	5.00	25.00	48 48
99	Queen Anne.....	400.00	403.00	.....	103.52	45.00	.....
100	Reliance.....	350.00	350.00	75.00	44.50	45.70	158.00
101	Rowlandville.....	400.00	200.00	75.00	10.00	25.00	100.00
102	Remington.....	400.00	400.00	.....	172.35	142.64	.....
103	St. James'.....	600.00	600 00	100.00	136.51	53.63	151.00
104	St. John's, Canton...	550.00	510.10	.....	130.00	142.50	209.78
105	St. Michael's.....	450.00	475.00	.....	65.00	25 00	50.00
106	St. Luke's	900.00	900.00	360 00	233.25	325.33	411.33
107	Salisbury	650.00	652.00	150.00	212.00	143.38	1,650.00
108	Seaford	700.00	700.00	.....	284.70	80.22	.....
109	Snow Hill.....	500.00	500.00	.....	75.00	75.00	.....
110	Salem.....	400.00	400.00	100 00	55.00	25.00	6.00
111	South Baltimore.....	600.00	636 40	240.00	550.57	81.77	558.00
112	Starr.....	1,200.00	1,200.00	240.00	2,107.66	203.00	100.00
113	Stewartstown	525.00	525.00	75.00	166.00	109.12	7.00
114	Susquehanna.....	600.00	600.00	100.00	78.00	40.73	156.21
115	Sussex.....	528.00	519.25	72.00	120.00	30.00	130.00
116	Talbot.....	350.00	350.00	.....	75.00	15.00	2,000.00
117	Trinity	700.00	750.00	.....	162.67	42.94	847.00
118	Tyreeanna.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
119	Union.....	700.00	600.00	.....	70.00	80.00	75.00
120	Union Bridge.....	500.00	500.00	125.00	100.00	40.00	75.00
121	Violetsville	200.00	200.00	.....	50.00	82.03	250.00
122	Warwick.	500 00	500.00	50.00	100.00	25.00	50.00
123	Waltersville..	450.00	450.00	.....	72.00	71.00	1,368.00
124	Waverly.....	500.00	500.00	180.00	187.00	75.00	118.00
125	West Baltimore.....	1,200.00	1,200.00	300.00	1,567.30	551.60	.....
126	Westminster	1,000.00	1,000.00	240.00	443.40	84.64	323.08
127	Williamsport.....	125.00	125.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
128	Wilmington.....	.....	800.00	.....	300.00	75.00	25.00
129	W. Wilmington.....	325.00	325 00	.....	293.84	41.61	47.00
130	Wye	300.00	300.00	125.00	50.00	40.00	40.36
131	Wicomico.....	350.00	352.00	28.00	30.00	18.20	100.00
	St. John's Ind.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		68.664.00	67,761.25	9,078.00	21,540.27	9,313.12	41,165.92

Purposes for the Year Ending April, 1900.

N.	Church and Parsonage Debt.	Total amount of money raised for Local Interest.	Miscellaneous Purposes.	Total Paid for General Interests.	Total Paid for Local Interests.	Special.	Total Paid for all Purposes.
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
89	.....	235.00	.....	19.47	235.00	.....	254.47
90	.....	791.35	72.29	234.25	791.35	72.29	1,097.89
91	.....	814.94	.....	101.20	814.94	.....	916.14
92	.....	570.00	.....	76.75	570.00	.....	646.75
93	.....	1,402.78	.....	378.00	1,402.78	.....	1,780.78
94	47.76	667.26	10.00	123.40	667.26	10.00	800.66
95	.....	108.50	.....	40.25	108.50	.....	148.75
96	.....	767.75	10.00	25.25	767.75	10.00	803.00
97	.....	940.00	.....	116.75	940.00	.....	1,056.75
98	.....	348.48	.....	57.17	348.48	.....	405.65
99	55.00	606.52	15.00	142.87	606.52	15.00	764.39
100	.....	673.20	12.00	117.55	673.20	12.00	802.75
101	.....	410.00	.....	50.00	410.00	.....	460.00
102	829.09	1,544.08	127.06	46.00	1,544.08	127.06	1,717.14
103	.....	1,041.14	206.00	252.49	1,041.14	206.00	1,499.63
104	.....	992.28	.....	56.30	992 28	.....	1,048,58
105	.....	615.00	12.00	127.25	615.00	12.00	754.25
106	342.16	2,572.07	58.50	59.00	2,572.07	58.50	2,689.57
107	.....	2,807.46	38.67	173.28	2,807 46	38.67	3,019.41
108	250.00	1,314.92	30.00	191.10	1,314.92	30.00	1,536.02
109	.....	650.00	41.00	112.75	650.00	41.00	803.75
110	.....	586.00	.....	86.00	586.00	.....	672.00
111	33.00	2,099.80	22.00	124.48	2,099.80	22.00	2,246.28
112	.....	3,850.66	150.29	371.69	3,850.66	150.29	4,372.64
113	109.50	991.62	38.27	98.61	991 62	38.27	1,128.50
114	80.70	1,055.64	11.00	242.17	1,055.64	11.00	1,308.81
115	.....	871.25	5.00	217.10	871.25	5.00	1,093.35
116	.....	2 440.00	.....	55.50	2,440.00	.....	2,495.50
117	.....	1,802.61	65.00	231.45	1,802.61	65.00	2,105.06
118	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
119	.....	825.00	287.35	194.25	825.00	287.35	1,306.60
120	40.00	880.00	.....	177.66	880.00	.....	1,057.66
121	.....	582.03	50.87	32.50	582.03	50.87	665.40
122	.....	725.00	.....	82.00	725.00	.....	807.00
123	.....	1,961.00	18.10	128.11	1,961.00	18.10	2,107.21
124	12.00	1 072.00	61.00	32.95	1,072.00	61.00	1,165.95
125	388.00	4 006.70	213.50	918.98	4,006.70	213.50	5,139.18
126	600.00	2,691.12	679.69	281.60	2,691.12	679.69	3,652.41
127	.....	125.00	.....	12.05	125.00	.....	137.05
128	200.00	1,400.00	56.25	66.05	1,400.00	56.25	1,522.30
129	50.00	757.45	.....	35.00	757.45	.....	792.45
130	260.00	815.30	29.59	109.00	815.36	29.59	953.95
131	.....	528.20	196.57	78.00	528.20	196.57	802.77
	.....	.....	.....	365.18	.....	.....	365.18
	20,241.69	$169 100.25	7,135.66	19,493.88	169,100.25	7,135.66	195,729.79

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CHARGES.	Paid on Assessment.	Children's Day.	W. F. M. S.	Special.	TOTAL.	
					Assess.	Paid.
Accomac	$36.00	$22.81	.....	.....	$36.00	$ 58.81
Alexandria	17.75	40.00	$19.20	.....	30.00	76.95
Alnutt Memorial	62.40	20.00	129.26	.....	62.40	211.66
Amelia	5.00	11.40	.....	.....	18.00	16.40
Baltimore	8.00	15.75	.....	.....	22.00	23.75
Beaver Dam	3.25	.....	.....	.....	10.00	3.25
Bedford	3.40	28.08	.....	.....	30.00	31.48
Belair	20.89	28.51	.....	.....	30.00	49.40
Bethany	4.00	6.00	.....	.....	12.00	10.00
Bethel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Broadway	24.00	18.10	10.00	.....	24.00	52.10
Brooklyn	18.00	.....	.....	.....	18.00	18.00
Cambridge	5.00	25.00	.....	.....	30.00	30.00
Campbell	2.00	.....	.....	.....	12.00	2.00
Canton (St. John's)	12.00	.....	.....	.....	12.00	12 00
Caroline	10.00	16.00	.....	.....	30.00	26.00
Cecil	3.00	57.04	.....	$5.00	30.00	65.04
Central	40.00	22.83	33.25	.....	30.00	76.08
Centreville	24.00	25.00	10.00	.....	24.00	59.00
Chesapeake	22.00	20.42	.....	.....	22.00	42.42
Chestertown	50.40	54.40	.....	.....	50.40	104.80
Chincoteague	.....	12.13	.....	.....	12.00	12.13
Christ's Church	6.00	10.15	.....	.....	6.00	16.15
Clayton	11.26	14.52	.....	4.74	24.00	30.52
Concord	2.00	24.28	.....	.....	24.00	26.28
Conquest	18.00	.....	.....	.....	22.00	18.00
Crisfield	36.00	40.00	.....	.....	36.00	76.00
Crumpton	5.62	17.10	.....	.....	14.00	22.72
Cumberland	20.00	10.00	.....	.....	22.00	30.00
Deer Creek	14.00	2.71	.....	.....	14.00	16.71
Deer Park	.....	14.00	.....	2.00	18.00	16.00
Delmar	12.00	.....	.....	.....	24.10	12.00
Delta	.....	10.12	.....	.....	22.00	10.12
Denton	6.00	23.00	.....	.....	6.00	29.00
Dorchester	7.00	24.00	.....	.....	24.00	31.00
Dover	2.75	8.25	.....	.....	12.00	11.00
East Baltimore	37.00	11.45	89.00	.....	42.00	137 45
Easton	50.00	12.25	22.75	.....	42.00	85.00
Elizabeth City	42.00	25.23	17.50	.....	42.00	84.73
Evergreen	1.50	5.00	.....	.....	6.00	6.50
Eutaw	10 00	24.00	.....	.....	22.00	34.00
Fairfax	10.00	9.69	.....	.....	10.00	19.69
Fairfield	15.00	24.04	.....	.....	18.00	39.04
Fawn Grove	11.00	33.07	.....	.....	24.00	44 07
Felton	5.00	5.25	.....	.....	22.00	10.25
Federalsburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Finksburg	24.00	46.55	.....	.....	24.00	70.55
First Church	10.00	32.25	22.75	.....	30.00	65.00
Fox Hill	12.82	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.82

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CHARGES.	Paid on Assessment	Children's Day.	W. F. M. S.	Special.	TOTAL.	
					Assess.	Paid.
Franklin City	$10.00	$8.29	.....	.....	$24.00	$18.29
Frederica	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.00	.....
Frederick	15.00	50.00	$50.00	$2.00	24 00	117.00
Georgetown, D.C	60.00	106.71	114.49	.....	60.00	281.20
Georgetown, Del	18.00	16.26	.....	.....	18.00	34.26
Georgetown Ct	.....	16.00	.....	.....	12.00	16.00
Greenwood	15.00	.....	.....	.....	22.00	15.00
Grove	13.00	12.00	.....	.....	22.00	25.00
Hampden	8.00	22.00	48.00	7.79	36.00	85.79
Harper's Ferry	7.00	6.00	.....	.....	18.00	13.00
Harrington	5.00	18.80	.....	.....	24 00	23.80
Heathsville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Holly Run	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	18.00	10.00
Howard	22.00	.....	.....	.....	22.00	22.00
Hurlock	12.00	30.00	.....	.....	12.00	42.00
Indian River	.....	7.52	.....	.....	.....	7.52
Jefferson	51.65	99.29	15.85	15.03	48.00	181.82
Kemptown	22.00	.....	.....	.....	22.00	22.00
Kennedyville	10.00	68.00	.....	.....	18.00	78.00
Kent Island	4.00	15.00	.....	.....	22.00	19.00
Laurel, Del	40.00	75.00	6.50	34.58	40.00	156.08
Leipsic	1.58	10.00	.....	.....	10.00	11.58
Lewistown	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....
Liberty	24.00	32.25	.....	.....	24.00	56.25
Lisbon	40.00	82.94	.....	1.05	30.00	113.99
Lynchburg	14.55	53.00	25.00	.....	30.00	92.55
Mariner's	24.00	12.00	.....	4.45	24.00	40.45
Mardela Springs	1.00	.....	.....	.....	12.00	1.00
Middleway	5.00	3.00	.....	.....	12.00	8.00
Millville	1.00	7.85	.....	.....	12.00	8.85
Milton	12.00	8.60	.....	.....	12 00	20.60
Montgomery	1.00	.....	.....	.....	6.00	1.00
Mt. Nebo	2.50	5.25	.....	.....	14.00	7.75
Mt. Tabor	15.00	8.00	.....	.....	24.00	23.00
Newark	40.00	.....	8.30	40.00	60.00	88.30
Newcastle	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Market	13.80	70.00	.....	4.50	30.00	88.30
Nichols' Memorial	6.00	13.50	.....	.....	6.00	19.50
N. Balto. Mission	24.00	19.37	57.00	24.59	24.00	124.96
N. C. Avenue	22.00	5.00	.....	.....	22.00	27.00
Oak Grove	10.00	15.00	.....	.....	18.00	25.00
Oxford	24.00	22.00	17.60	6.75	24.00	73.35
Patapsco	6.00	.....	.....	.....	6.00	6.00
Payson St., Balto	2.00	.....	.....	.....	12.00	2.00
Pipe Creek	24.00	25.75	51.00	.....	24.00	100.75
Pittsville	8.00	12.40	.....	.....	14 00	20.40
Pocomoke	4.00	15 00	.....	.....	18.00	19.00
Pocomoke City	48.00	41.22	27 78	.....	48.00	117.00
Potomac	18.00	.....	.....	.....	18.00	18.00

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CHARGES.	Paid on Assessment	Children's Day.	W. F. M. S.	Special.	TOTAL. Assess.	TOTAL. Paid.
Powellsville	$18.00	.....	$3.30	.....	$18.00	$21.30
Prince George, Va.	1.21	$1.26	.....	.....	6.00	2.47
Quantico	1.00	12.17	.....	.....	14.00	13.17
Queen Anne's	14.00	30.33	.....	$19.09	14.00	62.42
Reliance	7.00	30.25	.....	.....	14.00	37.25
Remington	10.00	.....	.....	.....	14.00	10.00
Rowlandville	5.00	.....	.....	.....	14.00	5.00
Salem	5.00	18.50	.....	.....	14.00	23.50
Salisbury	24 00	15.28	.....	.....	14.00	39.28
St. James'	30.00	41.14	7.10	.....	30.00	78.24
St. Luke's	5.00	.....	.....	.....	30.00	5.00
St. Michael's	18.00	8.25	.....	.....	18.00	26.25
Seaford	24.00	32.10	.....	.....	24.00	56.10
Snow Hill	13.00	18.75	.....	.....	22.00	31.75
South Baltimore	15.00	8.73	10.00	.....	24.00	33.73
Starr	60.00	40.00	10.69	20.00	60.00	130.69
Stewartstown	2.00	20.00	.....	.....	22.00	22.00
Susquehanna	30.00	29.32	16.60	.....	30.00	75.92
Sussex	.....	61.83	.....	4.50	24.00	66.33
Talbot	7.00	.....	.....	.....	12.00	7.00
Towson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Trinity	30.00	45.20	.....	.....	30.00	75.20
Tyreeanna	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.00	.....
Union	30.00	50.00	.....	.....	30.00	80.00
Union Bridge	24.00	15.16	.....	.....	24.00	39.16
Violetsville	3.00	.....	.....	.....	6.00	3.00
Warwick	10.00	20.00	.....	.....	18.00	30.00
Waltersville	18.00	14.36	.....	.....	18.00	32.36
Waverly	3.36	6.89	.....	.....	10.00	10.25
West Baltimore	60.00	184.48	150.50	70.00	60.00	464.98
Westminster	35.00	11.48	22.00	.....	54.00	68.48
Williamsport	1.50	.....	.....	.....	10.00	1.50
Wilmington, 1st	8.00	13.00	.....	.....	12.00	21.00
Wilmington, 2d	4.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00	4.00
Wicomico	4.00	16.00	.....	.....	12.00	20 00
Wye	8.00	30.00	.....	.....	12.00	38.00
St. John's Ind	.....	.....	160.00	.....	.....	160.00
Grand total	.....	.....	.....	.....	$2862.80	$6021.60

Assessments for the Year Beginning April, 1900.

CHARGES.	President's Salary.	Conference.	Seminary.	Ministerial Education.	Superannuates.	Foreign Missions.	General Home Missions.	Church Extension.	Total.
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Accomac	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Amelia	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Alexandria	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
Alnutt Memorial	52.00	9.00	41.50	13.00	88.50	62.50	34.00	91.00	391.50
Baltimore	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Beaver Dam	8.00	2.25	6.00	2.00	14.00	10.00	5.25	14.00	61.50
Bedford	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
Belair	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
Broadway	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Bethany	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12.00	6.50	18.00	76.75
Brooklyn	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Cambridge	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
Caroline	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Campbell	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12.00	6.50	18.00	76.75
Cecil	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
Central	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
Centreville	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Chesapeake	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Chestertown	42.00	7.25	33.50	10.50	71.50	50.50	27.50	73.50	316.25
Christ Church	5.00	1.25	4.00	2.00	8.00	6.00	3.25	9.00	38.50
Clayton	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Concord	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Conquest	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Crisfield	30.00	5.50	24.00	8.00	51.00	36.00	19.50	53.00	227.00
Crumpton	12.00	2.25	10.00	2.00	21.00	14.00	8.00	21.00	90.25
Cumberland	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Chincoteague	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Clinton Avenue	8.00	2.25	6.00	2.00	14.00	10.00	5.25	14.00	61.50
Delmar	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Deer Creek	12.00	2.25	10.00	2.00	21.00	14.00	8.00	21.00	90.25
Deer Park	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Delta	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Dorchester	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Dover	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12.00	6.50	18.00	76.75
Denton	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12.00	6.50	18.00	76.75
East Baltimore	35.00	6.00	28.00	9.00	59.00	42.00	23.00	61.00	263.00
Easton	35.00	6.00	28.00	9.00	59.00	42.00	23.00	61.00	263.00
Elizabeth	35.00	6.00	28.00	9.00	59.00	42.00	23.00	61.00	263.00
Eutaw	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Evergreen	5.00	1.25	4.00	2.00	8.00	6.00	3.25	9.00	38.50
Fairfax	8.00	2.25	6.00	2.00	14.00	10.00	5.25	14.00	61.50
Fawn Grove	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Finksburg	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
First Church	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00

Assessments for the Year Beginning April, 1900.

CHARGES.	President's Salary.	Conference.	Seminary.	Ministerial Education.	Superannuates.	Foreign Missions.	General Home Missions.	Church Extension.	Total.
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Franklin City	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Frederick	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Felton	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Frederica	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12.00	6.50	18.00	76.75
Fairfield	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Fox Hill	5.00	1.25	4.00	2.00	8.00	6.00	3.25	9.00	38.50
Georgetown, D. C.	50.00	9.00	40.00	13 00	86.00	60.00	32 50	88.00	378.50
Georgetown, Del	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Grove	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Greenwood	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Georgetown Circuit	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12.00	6.50	18.00	76.75
Hampden	30.00	5.50	24.00	8.00	51.00	36.00	19.50	53.00	227.00
Harper's Ferry	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Harrington	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24 00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Howard	18.00	3.50	14 00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Hurlock	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12.00	6.50	18.00	76.75
Holly Run	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18 00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Jefferson	40.00	6.75	32.00	10.00	68.00	48.00	26.00	72.00	302.75
Kennedyville	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Kemptown	18.00	3.50	14 00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Kent Island	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Laurel, Del.	32.00	5.75	24.00	8.00	53.00	40.00	21.00	55.00	238.75
Leipsic	8.00	2.25	6.00	2.00	14.00	10.00	5.25	14.00	61.50
Lewistown	5.00	1.25	4.00	2 00	8.00	6.00	3.25	9 00	38.50
Liberty	18 00	3.50	14.00	5 00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Lisbon	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
Lynchburg	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
Lawsonia	5.00	1.25	4.00	2.00	8.00	6.00	3.25	9.00	38.50
Mariner's	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30 00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Mardela	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12.00	6.50	18 00	76.75
Middleway	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17 00	12.00	6.50	18.00	76.75
Milton	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12.00	6.50	18.00	76.75
Millville	8.00	2.25	6.00	2.00	14.00	10.00	5.25	14.00	61.50
Mt. Tabor	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Mt. Nebo	12.00	2.25	10.00	2.00	21.00	14.00	8.00	21.00	90.25
Montgomery	5.00	1.25	4.00	2.00	8.00	6.00	3.25	9.00	38.50
Newark	50.00	9.00	40.00	13.00	86.00	60.00	32.50	88.00	378.50
N. C. Avenue	18.00	3.50	14.00	5 00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
New Market	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
N. Balto. Mission	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35 00	150.50
Nichols' Memorial	5.00	1.25	4.00	2.00	8.00	6.00	3.25	9.00	38.50
Oxford	20 00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Oak Grove	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Prince George, Va	5.00	1.25	4.00	2.00	8.00	6.00	3.25	9.00	38.50

Assessments for the Year Beginning April, 1900.

CHARGES.	President's Salary.	Conference.	Seminary.	Ministerial Education.	Superannuates.	Foreign Missions.	General Home Missions.	Church Extension.	Total.
Pipe Creek	$20.00	$3.50	$16.00	$5.00	$34.00	$24.00	$13.00	$35.00	$ 150.50
Pittsville	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Pocomoke	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Pocomoke City	35.00	6.00	28.00	9.00	59.00	42.00	23.00	61.00	263.00
Powellville	12.00	2.25	10.00	2.00	21.00	14.00	8.00	21.00	90.25
Patapsco	5.00	1.25	4.00	2.00	8.00	6.00	3.25	9.00	38.50
Payson St	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12.00	6.50	18.00	76.75
Potomac	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Parksley	15.00	2 75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Quantico	12.00	2.25	10.00	2.00	21.00	14.00	8.00	21 00	90.25
Queen Anne	12.00	2.25	10.00	2.00	21.00	14.00	8.00	21.00	90.25
Reliance	12.00	2.25	10.00	2.00	21.00	14.00	8.00	21.00	90.25
Rowlandville	12.00	2.25	10.00	2.00	21.00	14.00	8.00	21.00	90.25
Remington	12.00	2.25	10.00	2.00	21.00	14.00	8.00	21.00	90.25
St. James'	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
St. John's (Can.)	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12 00	6.50	18.00	76.75
St. Michael's	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
St. Luke's	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
Salisbury	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Seaford	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Snow Hill	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Salem	12.00	2 25	10.00	2.00	21.00	14.00	8.00	21.00	90.25
S. Baltimore	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Starr	50.00	9.00	40.00	13.00	86.00	60.00	32.50	88.00	378.50
Stewartstown	18.00	3.50	14.00	5.00	30.00	22.00	12.00	32.00	136.50
Susquehanna	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
Sussex	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Talbot	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12.00	6.50	18.00	76.75
Trinity	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
Tyreeanna	5.00	1.25	4.00	2.00	8.00	6.00	3.25	9.00	38.50
Union	25.00	4.50	20.00	6.00	42.00	30.00	16.50	44.00	188.00
Union Bridge	20.00	3.50	16.00	5.00	34.00	24.00	13.00	35.00	150.50
Violetsville	5.00	1.25	4.00	2.00	8.00	6.00	3.25	9.00	38.50
Warwick	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Waltersville	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
Waverly	8 00	2.25	6.00	2.00	14.00	10.00	5.25	14.00	61.50
W. Baltimore	50.00	9.00	40.00	13.00	86.00	60.00	32.50	88.00	378.50
Westminster	45.00	8.00	36.00	11.50	76.50	54.00	29.50	79.00	339.50
Williamsport	8.00	2.25	6.00	2.00	14.00	10.00	5.25	14.00	61.50
Wilmington	15.00	2.75	12.00	4.00	25.00	18.00	10.00	26.00	112.75
W. Wilmington	8.00	2.25	6.00	2.00	14.00	10.00	5.25	14.00	61.50
Wye Station	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12.00	6.50	18.00	76.75
Wicomico	10.00	2.25	8.00	3.00	17.00	12.00	6.50	18.00	76.75
Totals	2,394.00	450.00	1,907.00	618.00	4,047.50	2,881.00	1,573.75	4,211.00	18,082.75

Membership Statistics

No.	CHARGES.	No. Unstationed Min. & Prea's.	Probationers.	Members.	PROBATIONERS. No. on Roll at last Conference.	Rec'd during the year.	Elected to M'mbership	Withdr'wn by Certific'e	Discontin'd	Deceased.	Now on Roll.
1	Accomac	.....	28	365	14	17	3	.....	....	.....	28
2	Alexandria	3	19	228	22	1	2	.....	.....	.....	19
3	Alnutt Mem'l	.....	7	472	9	51	44	.....	.....	.....	7
4	Amelia	1	1	174	1	8	8	.....	.....	.....	1
5	Baltimore	.....	10	212	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6	Beaver Dam	.....	20	151	18	4	2	.....	.....	.....	20
7	Bedford	.....	80	239	20	80	2	.....	17	1	80
8	Belair	.....	2	242	.....	11	9	.....	.....	.....	2
9	Bethany	1	16	65	13	4	1	.....	1	.....	16
10	Broadway	3	.....	173	5	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
11	Brooklyn	.....	.....	77	.....	6	6	.....	.....	.....	.....
12	Cambridge	.....	1	263	4	6	10	.....	.....	.....	1
13	Campbell	2	.....	233	.....	7	7	.....	.....	.....	.....
14	Caroline	.....	17	207	19	27	12	.....	.....	.....	17
15	Cecil	.....	64	405	9	169	117	.....	.....	.....	64
16	Central (Wash.)	2	6	114	3	6	3	.....	.....	.....	6
17	Centreville	.....	14	130	12	6	1	.....	3	.....	14
18	Chesapeake	1	11	119	.....	4	10	.....	.....	.....	10
19	Chestertown	.....	35	233	16	36	14	.....	2	.....	6
20	Chincoteague	.....	37	133	13	60	23	.....	.....	.....	37
21	Christ (Balto.)	1	4	151	8	2	6	.....	.....	.....	4
22	Clayton	1	4	145	21	14	12	.....	19	.....	4
23	Concord	.....	.....	246	8	27	34	.....	1	.....	.....
24	Conquest	1	80	190	.....	80	...	.....	.....	.....	80
25	Crisfield	.....	82	259	66	19	3	.....	.....	.....	82
26	Crumpton	1	21	161	12	9	1	.....	.....	.....	21
27	Cumberland	.....	12	141	17	14	14	4	.....	2	12
28	Deer Creek	1	12	187	16	1	5	.....	.....	.....	12
29	Deer Park	.....	15	200	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	1	199
30	Delmar	.....	.....	194	3	15	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
31	Delta	1	.....	97	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
32	Denton	1	20	66	8	17	4	1	.....	.....	20
33	Dorchester	.....	4	274	.....	22	18	.....	.....	.....	4
34	Dover	1	.....	86	.....	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....
35	East Baltimore	1	3	235	12	12	15	.....	5	1	3
36	Easton	.....	.....	197	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
37	Elizabeth	.....	50	218	17	34	.....	1	.....	1	50
38	Eutaw	.....	5	80	1	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....
39	Evergreen	.....	6	46	9	4	6	.....	.....	1	6
40	Fairfax	1	.....	218	.....	77	76	.....	1	.....	.....
41	Fairfield	.....	47	197	14	53	12	.....	.....	.....	55
42	Fawn Grove	1	1	333	20	9	26	.....	2	.....	1
43	Felton	1	27	186	18	48	27	.....	19	.....	28

Year Ending April, 1900.

No.	Full Members.							Baptisms		Sabbath Schools.				Conversions	
	No. on Roll last Conference.	Rec'd from Probation.	Received by Certificate.	Withdr'n by Certificate.	Discontin'd	Deceased.	Now on Roll	Adults.	Children.	No. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	New Scholars Rec'd.	Scholars now on Roll	In School.	In Congregation.
1	366	3	3	1	...	6	365	.....	20	4	54	25	387	15	6
2	217	2	17	2	...	6	228	5	46	1	31	82	288	10	8
3	480	44	4	10	41	5	472	.....	20	1	35	.....	375	30	10
4	168	8	2	3	...	2	174	8	.....	2	22	6	135	7	1
5	188	40	1	.....	...	...	212	.....	10	3	15	.....	155	20	20
6	151	2	1	1	...	2	151	2	11	3	18	.....	190	.....	12
7	140	2	3	3	..	3	239	.....	12	6	40	15	300	30	80
8	236	9	.....	2	...	1	242	.....	14	4	34	15	258	1	10
9	90	1	2	1	27	..	65	.....	14	1	20	75	200	4	1
10	250	2	12	2	12	2	173	.....	12	1	26	.....	238	.....	7
11	65	6	7	.....	...	1	77	.....	11	1	11	18	74	.....	11
12	253	10	2	1	...	1	263	.....	14	3	50	20	360	1	6
13	229	7	.....	.....	...	3	233	.....	.....	6	24	16	166	.....	7
14	193	12	17	5	...	3	207	.....	5	3	28	31	185	13	153
15	297	117	10	8	...	5	405	40	20	5	65	15	300	.....	206
16	109	3	8	1	1	4	114	.....	1	1	21	22	67	1	1
17	143	1	3	4	29	6	130	.....	3	1	17	30	129	5	10
18	141	10	5	2	...	3	119	1	7	2	36	30	210	1	3
19	200	14	20	6	...	2	233	1	10	1	40	12	302	30	40
20	125	23	.....	.....	6	1	133	2	5	1	19	31	136	35	25
21	140	6	10	5	...	...	151	1	16	1	21	25	247	2	.....
22	190	12	3	4	52	4	145	8	16	3	37	10	150	.....	17
23	230	34	.....	2	12	4	246	10	19	3	31	8	117	10	40
24	203	.....	13	.....	24	2	190	30	.....	4	60	.....	350	.....	191
25	248	4	10	2	...	1	259	.....	20	1	41	50	405	6	24
26	163	1	1	4	...	...	161	3	14	3	27	23	135	3	9
27	126	14	3	4	...	2	141	.....	26	1	22	.....	129	.....	50
28	188	5	.....	1	2	3	187	.....	8	2	22	13	104	1	.....
29	200	15	.....	.....	...	1	199	2	9	4	50	35	320	.....	15
30	182	15	.....	1	1	1	194	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	6	3
31	103	1	.....	2	...	..	97	.....	11	1	16	.....	100	.....	1
32	59	3	8	1	...	3	66	.....	1	2	20	55	148	.....	42
33	267	18	1	2	7	3	274	.....	4	4	55	10	250	15	60
34	84	3	4	2	1	2	86	.....	5	1	14	10	90	.....	3
35	230	15	4	2	12	...	235	1	12	1	24	73	210	..	5
36	197	.....	8	2	3	3	197	1	9	1	20	38	161	.....	.....
37	255	.....	21	3	10	3	218	.....	23	1	46	65	409	26	4
38	77	.....	7	2	2	...	80	.....	4	1	8	20	94	.....	5
39	40	6	1	1	...		46	7	10	1	15	42	103	.....	2
40	129	76	16	1	...	3	218	34	1	5	47	.....	290	21	91
41	190	12	1	1	5	...	197	35	6	2	25	23	137	.....	74
42	315	16	5	3	...	...	333	4	24	3	36	22	425	.....	9
43	150	24	7	2	11	4	186	2	51	3	25	41	170	2	62

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No.	CHARGES.	No. Unstationed Min & Pres's.	Probationers.	Members.	PROBATIONERS. No. on Roll at last Conference.	Recei'd during the year.	Elected to M'mbership	Withdr'n by Certificate	Discontin'd	Deceased.	Now on Roll
44	Finksburg		17	378	24	21	17		11		17
45	First Church			153	2	19	21				
46	Fox Hill			72	3		3				
47	Franklin City	1	25	290	18	10	3				25
48	Frederica		30	69	60	27	3		42		31
49	Frederick		11	162	31	1	2		18	1	11
50	Georget'n D. C.		16	252	16	16	6				16
51	Georget'n, Del.	3	55	147	54	28	7		20		55
52	Georgetown Ct.	1	41	153	66	9	30		2	2	41
53	Greenwood		87	145		89					87
54	Grove		19	124	21	7	9				19
55	Hampden	3	8	440	43	13	31		15		8
56	Harper's Ferry			128							
57	Harrington		39	238	19	19					38
58	Holly Run	1	25	105					3	1	25
59	Howard		7	195	3	19	11	1	3		7
60	Hurlocks		30	155	13	64	14	33			30
61	Jefferson			110							
62	Kemptown	2		418		23	23				
63	Kennedyville		1	118		10	9				1
64	Kent Island	1	1	141		11	10				1
65	Indian River		12	38	12						12
66	Laurel		45	257	21	57	33				45
67	Lawsonia			57	6	5	11				
68	Leipsic			54	1	1	2				
69	Lewistown	1	12	121	2	4	5			1	12
70	Liberty		8	212	3	9	3			1	7
71	Lisbon			344	24	8	32				
72	Lynchburg			125		2	2				
73	Mardela	2	17	187	7	17	6	1			17
74	Mariner's		8	270	10	23	14		10	1	6
75	Middleway			100	1	1	2				
76	Millville	2	2	56		7	5				2
77	Milton	1	3	152	3						3
78	Montgomery			45							
79	Mt. Nebo		6	115	28	2	15		10		5
80	Mt. Tabor	1		82							
81	Newark	2	4	292	6	9	12				4
82	New Market		43	339	11	43	9		2		43
83	Nichols' Mem.	1	5	65		22	15				7
84	N. Baltimore	1	4	146		12	8				4
85	N. C. Avenue	1	2	85	7		3				2
86	Oak Grove			147	10	3	10		1		2

Year Ending April, 1900.

No.	Full Members.							Baptisms.		Sabbath Schools.				Conversions.	
	No. on Roll at last Conference.	Rec'd from Probation.	Rec'd by Certificate.	Withdr'n by Certificate.	Discontin'd	Deceased.	Now on Roll	Adults.	Children.	No. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	New Scholars received.	Scholars Now on Rol	In School.	In Congregation.
44	366	21	4	1	10	2	378	.....	27	4	62	20	470	16	8
45	130	21	9	.....	2	2	153	.....	48	1	21	21	249	15	4
46	42	3	30	3	.....	...	72	.....	4	1	16	43	134	25	9
47	289	3	.....	1	.....	3	290	.....	3	4	64	27	357	.....	43
48	114	3	6	3	33	3	69	.....	11	1	10	3	36	.....	42
49	164	2	3	4	.....	3	162	.....	30	4	53	28	394	.....	8
50	272	7	2	.....	20	10	252	4	14	1	29	54	185	6	10
51	155	7	1	1	12	3	147	6	29	1	21	76	175	.....	33
52	120	30	5	1	1	...	153	.....	5	3	34	10	170	5	10
53	145	1	1	2	76	1	145	2	7	2	27	35	168	22	67
54	220	9	.....	3	.....	2	224	.....	5	4	45	20	180	.....	20
55	414	31	8	6	7	...	440	6	25	1	43	34	519	10	14
56	129	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	128	.....	3	1	18	.....	125	.....	.....
57	234	.....	4	6	38	1	238	2	2	2	34	42	290	11	12
58	.....	.....	1	1	8	1	105	.....	14	2	12	12	83	.....	3
59	185	11	.....	1	.....	...	195	.....	8	3½	39	.....	206	.....	19
60	152	14	5	2	11	2	155	2	18	4	36	50	219	4	89
61	100	.....	14	3	.....	1	110	.....	10	2	26	29	170	.....	14
62	392	23	6	.....	.....	3	418	.....	21	4	64	25	475	18	7
63	116	9	5	4	7	1	118	.....	2	1	16	19	60	.....	10
64	159	10	3	.....	30	1	141	.....	21	2	16	8	168	.....	22
65	39	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	38	.....	.....	1	8	.....	25	.....	.....
66	212	33	15	2	.....	1	257	1	12	1	22	56	265	36	64
67	39	11	8	.....	1	...	57	.....	.....	1	15	60	120	.....	8
68	63	2	.....	1	9	1	54	.....	7	1	8	20	90	.....	2
69	117	4	1	.....	.....	1	121	.....	9	2	21	6	100	17	8
70	216	3	2	3	.....	4	212	.....	8	4	60	.....	271	.....	11
71	310	32	3	7	.....	...	344	2	22	5	55	.....	350	4	17
72	145	.....	4	1	20	3	125	2	.....	1	15	5	90	.....	2
73	184	6	1	1	3	3	187	.....	.....	3	37	.....	143	16	1
74	302	29	4	*46	6	2	270	2	25	1	27	45	225	.....	57
75	104	2	1	.....	6	1	100	.....	.....	.....	16	8	100	4	3
76	47	5	5	.....	.....	1	56	.....	3	2	15	30	150	.....	15
77	91	.....	62	.....	.....	1	152	2	5	1	11	57	142	20	73
78	29	12	4	.....	.....	...	45	.....	9	2	10	.....	110	8	4
79	106	15	6	1	9	2	115	4	21	2	26	25	140	.....	2
80	85	.....	.....	3	.....	...	82	.....	12	1	19	8	83	.....	.....
81	317	11	16	†22	23	7	292	.....	2	1	26	29	185	.....	18
82	339	9	.....	3	4	2	339	7	12	.....	57	.....	443	60	25
83	50	15	.....	.....	.....	...	65	.....	10	1	5	.....	50	4	23
84	117	8	24	2	.....	1	146	1	3	1	16	13	91	.....	4
85	58	3	25	.....	.....	1	85	.....	5	1	13	69	109	4	11
86	152	10	.....	3	6	6	147	7	1	1	17	18	70	.....	4

Membership Statistics.

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87	Oxford	1	11	125		14	2				12
88	Patapsco		7	25			5	2		1	
89	Payson Street		3	60	1	3					4
90	Pipe Creek			209							
91	Pittsville			306	9	106	49				66
92	Pocomoke	1	2	186		13	11				2
93	Pocomoke City	1	2	295							2
94	Potomac	2		156	8	5	3		3		
95	Powellville	2	3	110		10	6		1		3
96	Prince George	1	5	74	8	5	5				9
97	Quantico		2	155	2	7	11				2
98	Queen Anne	1		146	3	10	10		3		
99	Reliance	1	12	200		39	39				13
100	Remington	1	75	144	17	75	6	2	5	2	71
101	Rowlandville			75							
102	Salisbury		95	216	16	88	3		6		95
103	Salem			114		1	1				
104	Seaford		53	201	15	48	3		7		53
105	Snow Hill	1	5	220	13	15	10		12	1	5
106	South Baltimore	1	4	126	4	5	1				4
107	Starr	2		237	2	3	4		*1		
108	Stewartstown	1	24	245	24						24
109	St. James'		17	196	17	19	16		3		17
110	St. John's, Can.	1	75	69	8	76	3		6		75
111	St. Luke's	2		114		12	12				
112	St. Michael's	1	6	123	7	4			5		6
113	Susquehanna		7	218	14		2		5		7
114	Sussex	1	8	347	14	36	36		6		8
115	Talbot		1	48		1					1
116	Trinity		29	209	24	41	12		3		29
117	Union	2	45	269	33	25	2		11		45
118	Union Bridge			115	2	6	8				
119	Violetsville			41		10	10				
120	Waltersville		37	193	12	51	30				37
121	Warwick			117	2	4	4		2		
122	Waverly	1	2	90	8	14	13		2		2
123	West Baltimore	4	57	435	66	13	15		6	1	57
124	Westminster	3	1	222	10	10	9		1		1
125	W. Wilmington		18	57	18						18
126	Wicomico		1	97	1	6	6	1			1
127	Williamsport	1	5	106	5	29	29				5
128	Wilmington	2	12	168	10	37	32		3		12
129	Wye		1	109		6	5				1
	Totals	83	1,969	22,691	1,343	2439	1358	46	298	19	2179
	Report of 1899	83	1,298	21,948	1,655	1054	1040	17	365	13	1293
	Increase		671	743		1385	318	29		6	886
	Decrease								67		

*43 of this number joined Lawsonia.

†16 of this number withdrew to become charter members of Clinton Hill Church.

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	Full Members.							Bapt'sms		Sabbath Schools.				Convr's.	
No.	No. on Roll last Conference.	Rec'd from Probation.	Received by Certificate.	Withdr'n by Certificate.	Discontin'd	Deceased.	Now on Roll	Adults.	Children.	No. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	New Scholars Rec'd.	Scholars now on Roll	In School.	In Congregation.
87	144	2	3	4	21	1	125	....	3	1	32	46	158	....	15
88	50	.....	.....	.....	5	2	25	....	1	1	8	.....	50	....	.....
89	57	.....	7	3	.....	1	60	1	18	1	19	53	131	1	2
90	214	.....	16	.....	21	3	209	2	11	2	33	12	182	3	15
91	233	49	28	2	1	1	306	25	28	4	45	35	288	....	135
92	179	11	1	2	.....	3	186	2	14	2	20	12	125	5	20
93	297	.....	4	2	3	1	295	....	5	2	25	30	250	....	.....
94	157	3	6	3	.....	3	156	....	14	3	24	41	175	4	8
95	101	6	3	3	.....	3	110	....	2	1	5	10	135	....	13
96	69	5	.....	.....	.....	....	74	7	1	1	7	10	35	....	10
97	149	11	1	1	2	3	155	2	8	3	18	10	95	5	2
98	143	10	2	3	6	....	146	1	17	2	22	6	140	10	2
99	162	39	9	3	4	4	200	3	28	3	31	125	240	32	.....
100	162	6	3	2	12	.....	144	1	47	1	20	50	250	24	60
101	101	.....	.....	2	26	2	75	4	1	2	20	.....	100	...	.....
102	207	3	16	.....	6	4	216	12	8	1	17	68	192	....	116
103	114	1	.....	.....	.....	1	114	....	5	1	12	2	90	1	.....
104	200	3	6	4	3	1	201	1	4	1	20	40	190	14	43
105	204	10	14	5	.....	3	220	3	11	2	16	12	165	5	15
106	124	1	15	7	.....	3	126	2	18	1	22	25	124	....	3
107	248	4	7	5	10	7	237	2	36	1	27	42	250	....	3
108	229	.....	24	9	.....	1	245	12	7	2	29	.....	312	16	5
109	193	16	.....	9	1	3	196	....	7	2	29	20	170	....	27
110	82	3	2	3	15	....	69	5	44	1	17	55	220	25	60
111	145	12	12	1	31	2	114	....	12	1	32	87	312	....	.....
112	127	.....	1	2	1	2	123	.....	17	2	25	.....	130	....	4
113	215	2	10	6	.....	3	218	1	4	3	30	17	155	4	8
114	310	36	9	3	.....	5	347	18	30	4	65	7	325	14	47
115	40	.....	8	.....	.....	....	48	....	7	2	14	25	100	1	2
116	198	9	5	3	1	....	209	7	15	2	25	42	209	17	45
117	284	2	2	5	14	1	269	...	6	4	43	28	262	11	38
118	119	8	1	8	1	4	115	3	1	2	20	10	100	3	3
119	31	10	.....	.....	.....	....	41	....	8	1	20	18	69	4	6
120	166	30	1	.....	.....	4	193	10	8	2	36	125	303	42	9
121	122	4	.....	1	5	3	117	1	11	3	26	12	135	2	2
122	83	17	11	8	12	1	90	...	16	1	23	43	250	15	36
123	431	15	11	6	10	6	435	.....	8	1	47	145	512	12	5
124	213	9	2	1	.....	1	222	.....	4	1	28	22	145	....	9
125	73	.....	.....	1	13	2	57	.....	4	1	14	10	170	1	.....
126	89	6	2	.....	.....	....	97	....	.....	1	12	22	65	7	6
127	75	29	2	1	.....	3	106	19	7	3	34	40	140	....	29
128	153	32	8	2	22	1	168	.....	16	1	12	20	100	17	100
129	105	5	3	4	.....	....	109	.....	14	2	20	5	135	....	7
	21,825	1430	773	360	841	259	22 691	391	1524	258½	3447	3393	24,868	895	3030
	21.589	1104	513	275	766	264	21,948	156	1445	261½	3635	2350	24.989	300	1214
	.....	326	260	85	75	.....	743	235	79	.....	.....	1043	....	595	1816
	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	3	188	.....	121	....	.....

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Accomac	4	5	1	31	100	300	$13,500.00	$2,000.00	$5,300.00	$600.00	$40.00	$600.00
Alexandria	1	1	1	17	345	150	17,500.00	2,400.00	5,200.00	1,000.00	200.00	1,800.00
Alnutt Memorial	1	1	1	50	325	.....	48,000.00	.....	20,000.00	.....	300.00	6,000.00
Amelia	3	3	...	14	.....	128	1,500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Baltimore	3	3	1	8	.....	.....	6,000.00	337.00	4,500.00	2,000.00	150.00	2,000.00
Beaver Dam	3	3	1	3	456	75	3,200.00	167.50	.....	500.00	60.00	800.00
Bedford	6	6	1	23	300	100	7,000.00	.....	.....	.....	60.00	1,000.00
Belair	4	4	1	21	150	200	17,000.00	700.00	6,270.20	3,480.00	150.00	5,000.00
Bethany	1	1	...	5	135	200	3,000.00	40.00	3,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Broadway	1	1	1	10	150	.....	25,000.00	7,500.00	8,500.00	.....	240.00	3,000.00
Brooklyn	1	1	1	16	88	.....	10,000.00	1,800.00	4,000.00	750.00	150.00	2,000.00
Cambridge	3	3	1	20	300	100	6,000.00	1,000.00	3,500.00	1,000.00	150.00	2,000.00
Caroline	4	4	1	13	130	350	6,000.00	.....	2,000.00	1,000.00	75.00	1,200.00
Campbell	6	6	...	7	.....	.....	3,750.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cecil	5	5	1	25	360	350	15,000.00	375.00	11,000.00	1,500.00	100.00	1,500.00
Central	1	1	1	18	120	400	35,000.00	.....	7,000.00	2,000.00	420.00	2,000.00
Centreville	1	1	1	22	143	.....	13,500.00	500.00	5,000.00	.....	200.00	2,500.00
Chesapeake	2	2	1	18	.....	235	5,000.00	.....	2,535.00	1,575.00	100.00	2,000.00
Chestertown	1	1	1	44	250	400	40,000.00	.....	10,000.00	2,750.00	300.00	5,000.00
Chincoteague	1	1	1	3	156	140	2,000.00	.....	1,000.00	500.00	100.00	1,000.00
Christ Ch. (Balto.)	1	1	...	4	246	125	2,900.00	1,080.00	2,500.00	.....	.....	.....
Clayton	3	3	1	17	125	75	5,000.00	245.00	4,200.00	1,000.00	120.00	1,600.00
Concord	3	3	1	19	150	.....	4,700.00	.....	.....	600.00	45.00	900.00
Conquest	4	4	1	25	300	.....	8,000.00	860.00	3,000.00	800.00	100.00	1,600.00
Crisfield	1	1	1	17	450	.....	28,000.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	1,000.00	120.00	2,000.00

Crumpton	3	3	1	4	75	135	3,800.00	100.00	1,350.00	862.50	75.00	800.00
Cumberland	1	1	...	15	150	24	12,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	.....	.....	200.00
Deer Creek	2	2	1	14	125	123	4,100.00	.....	1,700.00	1,100.00	75.00	1,500.00
Deer Park	4	4	1	10	300	375	7,850.00	200.00	5,720.00	700.00	80.00	800.00
Delmar	1	*1	1	15	150	.....	3,500.00	.....	2,500.00	1,500.00	100.00	2,000.00
Delta	1	1	1	8	116	175	4.500.00	800.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	150.00	2,500.00
Denton	2	2	...	7	225	.....	6,100.00	200.00	4,250.00	.....	.....	.....
Dorchester	4	4	1	25	150	150	7,000.00	100.00	5,000.00	800.00	75.00	1,000.00
Dover	1	1	...	3	140	200	6,000.00	1,200.00	2,175.00	.....	.....	.....
East Baltimore	1	1	1	27	275	125	22,000.00	500.00	5,200.00	800.00	240.00	1,000.00
Easton	1	1	1	40	176	350	15,000.00	.....	9,000.00	.....	200.00	2,000.00
Elizabeth	1	1	...	15	475	560	15,000.00	4,000.00	7,750.00	.....	.....	.....
Eutaw	1	1	1	15	250	.....	2,000.00	.....	2,000.00	1,500.00	150.00	2,000.00
Evergreen	1	1	...	3	110	143	1,700.00	.....	1,400.00	.....	.....	.....
Fairfax	6	4	..	12	128	75	5,400.00	.....	4,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Fairfield	3	3	1	12	.....	.....	3,500.00	.....	.....	.....	75.00	1,500.00
Fawn Grove	3	3	1	10	435	190	6,000.00	.....	.....	600.00	50.00	800.00
Felton	4	4	...	12	100	300	3,750.00	33.00	.....	.....	.....	150.00
Finksburg	4	4	1	41	400	200	18,000.00	1,800.00	8,000.00	1,000.00	100.00	2,000.00
First Church (Wash.)	1	1	1	8	250	.....	23,000.00	7,500.00	9,000.00	2,000 00	275.00	5,000.00
Fox Hill	1	1	...	13	105	.....	1,400.00	.....	500.00	.....	.....	.....
Franklin City	4	4	1	12	200	.....	8,000.00	600.00	1,850.00	600.00	75.00	1,000.00
Frederica	1	1	...	.....	.....	150	2,300.00	100.00	1,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Frederick	4	4	1	18	250	600	5,700.00	225.00	1,000.00	1,200.00	65.00	1,300.00
Georgetown, D. C.	1	1	1	44	325	401	18,000.00	.....	5,000.00	2,500.00	500.00	5,000.00
Georgetown, Del.	1	1	...	4	132	25	3,100.00	.....	1,500.00	.....	.....	.....
Georgetown Circuit	3	3	...	4	80	50	2,850.00	300.00	1,900.00	.....	.....	.....
Greenwood	3	3	1	9	175	.....	5,000.00	600.00	3,800.00	700.00	75.00	1,500.00
Grove	4	4	1	14	.....	.....	6,000.00	.....	600.00	.....	60.00	500.00
Hampden	1	1	1	17	537	274	16,000.00	50.00	10,500.00	1,500.00	150.00	1,500.00
Harper's Ferry	2	2	1	4	165	.....	6,000.00	.....	.....	.....	45.00	500.00
Harrington	2	2	1	21	260	.....	6,000.00	.....	3,200.00	.....	75.00	1,500.00
Holly Run	4	4	1	6	150	80	5,000.00	.....	1,700.00	1,100.00	96.00	1,000.00
Howard	4	3	1	19	97	250	5,050.00	.....	2,500.00	1,575.00	100.00	2,000.00
Hurlocks	4	4	1	9	328	119	4,400.00	1,075.00	2,800.00	800.00	75.00	1,200.00
Jefferson	2	2	1	23	180	.....	20,000.00	.....	12,500.00	2,000.00	200.00	4,000.00

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Kemptown	4	4	1	.....	300	300	$5,500.00	.....	$4,000.00	$900.00	$72.00	$900.00
Kennedyville	1	1	1	16	140	150	3,500.00	$200.00	1,800.00	900.00	100.00	1,500.00
Kent Island	2	2	1	24	100	50	1,800.00	.....	.....	700.00	100.00	1,000.00
Indian River	1	1	...	.....	.....	15	600.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Laurel	1	1	1	17	153	.....	5,000.00	.....	5,000.00	1,000.00	125.00	2,000.00
Lawsonia	1	1	...	1	115	.....	3,000.00	1,160.00	2,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Leipsic	1	1	...	2	100	.....	3,000.00	.....	1,500.00	.....	.....	.....
Lewistown	3	3	...	1	68	.....	2,500.00	.....	1,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Liberty	4	4	1	30	190	200	10,550.00	.....	4,300.00	1,550.00	100.00	1,550.00
Lisbon	5	5	1	28	200	600	10,500.00	.....	6,200.00	1,000.00	75.00	1,500.00
Lynchburg	1	1	...	8	50	225	20,000.00	3,000.00	4,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Mardela	4	4	1	15	175	.....	5,500.00	530.00	2,000.00	400.00	25.00	600.00
Mariners	1	1	1	4	60	.....	6,000.00	.....	4,000.00	1,000.00	150.00	1,500.00
Middleway	4	3	1	4	24	.....	2,000.00	150.00	1,200.00	500.00	30.00	525.00
Millville	2	2	...	2	100	.....	2,500.00	190.00	1,800.00	.....	.....	.....
Milton	1	1	1	.....	125	.....	1,500.00	100.00	.....	800.00	60.00	1,000.00
Montgomery	2	2	...	.....	.....	.....	1,853.00	.....	1,853.00	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Nebo.	2	2	1	5	100	80	4,600.00	1,075.75	3,200.00	1,300.00	60.00	1,800.00
Mt. Tabor	1	1	...	5	125	225	8,000.00	143.74	3,500.00	.....	.....	.....
Newark	1	1	1	30	478	500	35,000.00	.....	12,500.00	2,500.00	450.00	7,000.00
New Market	4	4	1	25	383	335	13,500.00	700.00	6,400.00	1,500.00	96.00	2,000.00
Nichols' Memorial	2	2	..	2	200	.....	3,000.00	.....	1,500.00	.....	.....	.....
North Baltimore	1	1	...	.....	126	.....	11,000.00	1,900.00	9,000.00	.....	.....	.....
N. C. Avenue (Wash)	1	1	...	10	189	100	.....	12,000.00	15,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Oak Grove	1	1	1	15	90	100	1,200.00	.....	.....	.....	60.00	700.00

Oxford	1	1	1	11	215	193	$3,000.00	.....	$1,500.00	$1,800.00	$150.00	$3,000.00
Patapsco	1	1	...	.....	.....	.....	1,000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Payson Street	1	1	...	2	62	187	1,200.00	.....	1,500.00	.....	.....	.....
Pipe Creek	2	2	1	20	50	500	8,000.00	.....	5,000.00	3,150.00	96.00	4,000.00
Pittsville	4	4	1	16	100	200	7,000.00	.....	2,200.00	.....	50.00	800.00
Pocomoke Circuit	4	4	1	14	75	150	900.00	.....	.....	500.00	75.00	700.00
Pocomoke City	2	2	1	36	218	300	12,800.00	.....	10,000.00	.....	150.00	2,200.00
Potomac	3	2	1	21	200	350	6,000.00	.....	2,300.00	400.00	120.00	800.00
Powellville	4	4	1	10	60	.....	3,650.00	.....	900.00	750.00	40.00	750.00
Prince George	2	2	...	6	.....	104	1,200.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Quantico	5	5	1	6	.....	.....	3,600.00	.....	.....	500.00	50.00	500.00
Queen Anne's	2	2	1	17	135	100	2,400.00	.....	2,000.00	800.00	75.00	1,000.00
Reliance	3	3	1	8	240	.....	4,000.00	123.50	1,000.00	800.00	75.00	1,200.00
Remington	1	1	...	.....	.....	250	8,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Rowlandsville	3	3	1	2	.....	200	4,000.00	.....	.....	.....	75.00	1,000.00
Salisbury	1	1	1	35	150	267	8,000 00	.....	5,200.00	1,200.00	150.00	2,000.00
Salem	1	1	1	10	70	160	4,000.00	.....	2,000.00	900.00	100.00	1,200.00
Seaford	1	1	1	15	200	.....	8,500.00	1,425.00	6,400.00	1,000.00	125.00	1,500.00
Snow Hill	2	2	1	20	160	250	3,600.00	.....	2,600.00	600.00	100.00	1,000.00
South Baltimore	1	1	1	13	175	142	21,000.00	1,600.00	23,000.00	.....	240.00	2,000.00
Starr	1	1	1	35	300	400	40,000.00	.....	10,000.00	2,500.00	240.00	2,700.00
Stewartstown	2	2	1	14	325	225	5,600.00	300.00	2,500.00	700.00	75.00	1,400.00
St. James	2	2	1	24	175	240	7,000.00	.....	4,800.00	1,200.00	100.00	1,500.00
St. John's (Canton)	1	1	...	8	50	150	1,800.00	300.00	2,200.00	.....	.....	.....
St. Luke's	1	1	1	3	350	287	7,500.00	5,171.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	360.00	5,000.00
St. Michael's	2	2	1	20	200	225	4,000.00	.....	2,000.00	1,000.00	100.00	2,000.00
Susquehanna	3	3	1	31	.....	394	6,500.00	51.77	5,300.00	1,300.00	100.00	1,500.00
Sussex	4	4	...	20	400	200	4,800.00	.....	4,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Talbot	2	2	...	12	.....	.....	3,000.00	.....	1,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Trinity	2	2	1	27	250	.....	9,000.00	333.76	9,000.00	.....	75.00	600.00
Union	4	4	1	19	200	150	5,000.00	.....	.....	800.00	75.00	1,000.00
Union Bridge	2	2	1	18	150	.....	9,000.00	800.00	5,500.00	.....	125.00	2,600.00
Violetsville	1	1	...	1	50	100	600.00	.....	600.00	.....	.....	.....
Waltersville	2	2	1	20	250	.....	3,700.00	1,600.00	2,500.00	.....	75.00	1,150.00
Warwick	3	3	1	14	150	150	3,200.00	.....	.....	.....	50.00	800.00
Waverly	1	1	1	5	.....	300	2,500.00	25.00	2,500.00	1,200.00	180.00	1,500.00

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West Baltimore	1	1	1	64	600	1,000	$36,000.00	$8,000.00	$15,600.00	$12,000.00	$300.00	$1,500.00
Westminster	1	1	1	40	161	275	25,500.00	175.00	14,500.00	.....	240.00	.....
West Wilmington	1	1	...	1	.....	125	4,000.00	2,100.00	1,000.00	.....	.....	30.00
Wicomico	2	2	1	18	85	.....	6,000.00	.....	.....	.....	50.00	.....
Williamsport	4	4	...	7	.....	.....	2,000.00	.....	300.00	.....	.....	.....
Wilmington	1	1	...	14	95	.....	8,500.00	3,300.00	3,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Wye	1	1	1	12	135	150	1,000.00	70.00	800.00	1 600.00	125.00	2,000.00
Totals	289	285	91	1896	21,420	19,006	$1,081,203.00	$97,411.97	$540,353.20	$96,642.50	$11,785.00	$162,255.00
Report of 1899	287	283½	87	1908	19,703	19,668	.....	134,846 87	.....	.....	.....	.....
Increase	2	1½	4	.....	1,717	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	.....	.....	...	12	.....	662	.....	37,434.90	.....	.....	.....	.....

*Charity also was served by pastor of this charge.

Total increase in value of church and parsonage property $8,502 50.

Total increase in amount of insurance on church and parsonage property, $185,471.70.

HOWARD L. SCHLINCKE,
H. MELVIN ERDMAN,

Committee on Statistics.

Statistics of the Treasurer of the Home for the Aged.

CHARGES.	Aged People's Home.	CHARGES.	Aged People's Home.	CHARGES.	Aged People's Home.
Accomac	$5 00	Franklin City	$3 00	Pipe Creek	$5 00
Alexandria	5 00	Frederick	15 25	Pittsville	3 00
Alnutt Memorial	8 00	Felton	50	Pocomoke	3 00
Amelia	25	Frederica	.....	Pocomoke City	.....
Baltimore	2 00	Fairfield	7 00	Powellville	7 20
Beaver Dam	.....	Fox Hill	.....	Patapsco	1 50
Bedford	14 00	Georget'wn, D.C.	17 00	Payson Street	.....
Belair	5 00	Georget'wn, Del.	3 05	Potomac	5 00
Bethany	3 00	Georget'wn Cir't	1 30	Quantico	2 00
Broadway	5 00	Grove	7 00	Queen Anne	11 90
Brooklyn	5 00	Greenwood	2 00	Reliance	5 00
Cambridge	.....	Hampden	17 10	Rowlandville	3 00
Campbell	.....	Harper's Ferry	.....	Remington	.....
Caroline	1 00	Harrington	.....	St. James	10 00
Cecil	1 00	Howard	1 00	St. John's (Can'n)	1 00
Central (Washington)	9 00	Hurlock	5 00	St. Michael's	3 00
		Holly Run	50	St. Luke's	5 00
Centreville	5 00	Indian River	.....	Salisbury	5 00
Chesapeake	5 00	Jefferson	25 00	Seaford	3 00
Chestertown	6 00	Kennedyville	13 80	Snow Hill	.....
Chincoteague	3 00	Kemptown	4 00	Salem	1 00
Christ Church	1 00	Kent Island	5 00	South Baltimore	5 00
Clayton	5 00	Laurel	5 00	Starr	15 00
Concord	6 18	Leipsic	25	Stewartstown	5 00
Conquest	3 00	Lewistown	.....	Susquehanna	5 00
Crisfield	.....	Liberty	3 00	Sussex	3 80
Crumpton	25	Lisbon	5 00	Talbot	5 00
Cumberland	1 00	Lynchburg	.....	Trinity	5 00
Deer Creek	5 00	Lawsonia	.....	Tyreeanna	.....
Deer Park	.....	Mariners	2 00	Union	8 00
Delmar	1 00	Mardela	1 00	Union Bridge	6 50
Delta	.....	Middleway	3 00	Violetsville	1 00
Denton	2 00	Milton	3 00	Warwick	.....
Dorchester	5 00	Millville	.....	Waltersville	.....
Dover	25	Mt. Tabor	5 00	Waverly	1 00
East Baltimore	6 00	Mt. Nebo	3 00	W. Baltimore	9 00
Easton	85 00	Montgomery	1 00	Westminster	7 82
Elizabeth	.....	Newark	5 00	Williamsport	25
Eutaw	2 00	N. C. Avenue	5 00	Wilmington	5 00
Evergreen	.....	New Market	20 00	W. Wilmington	.....
Fairfax	5 00	North Baltimore	5 00	Wye	5 00
Fawn Grove	.....	Nichols Mem'l	50	Wicomico	1 00
Fairview	.....	Oxford	1 00	St. John's (Ind.)	19 00
Finksburg	10 00	Oak Grove	2 50		
First Church	.....	Pr. George, Va.	1 00	Total	$600 65

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Charges.	No. Societies.			Membership.									Number of Meetings Held.	Amount Contributed		Conversions.	Corresponding Secretary.	Junior Superintendent.
				Junior.			Y.P.S.C.E.			Senior								
	Junior.	Y. P. S. C. E.	Senior.	Active.	Associate.	Honorary.	Active.	Associate.	Honorary.	Active.	Associate.	Honorary.		General Purposes.	Foreign Missions.			
Accomac																		
Alexandria	1	1		15	19		31	1					114	$10 00		5	John H. Bartlett	Lida J. Revell.
Alnutt Memorial	1	1		50			52	20	32				48		$40 00		Miss Estelle Gilligan	Mrs. Alice Bright.
Amelia																		
Baltimore		3					70	15	8				156	50 00		25	Julia Taylor Pearl McMaster	
Bedford		2					75						104	2 00		10	Miss Viola Ross Miss Ethel Dicken	
Belair	1	2		42			46	9	4				54			3	Lydice Pyle M. R. Clusney	Irene Bagley.
Bethany	1			30									40			1		Mrs. A. Wagoner.
Broadway	1	1		56			55						100	95 00			Miss Grace Powell	Mrs. Myra Hammond.
Brooklyn		1					21						52	15 00			H. E. Gray	
Beaver Dam																		
Cambridge		1					20	10	6				52	10 00			Miss Bertie Brooks	
Caroline		2					54	18	2				88	29 00	5 00	12	Miss Katie Burke Mrs. Millard Wollisen	Miss Jessie Saulsbury

Campbell																	
Cecil	1	3		16	1	140	10					100 00	2 00		Lucy Mathews	Annie M. Johnson.
Central		1				8	12				53	44 03			Miss Estelle Drane	
Centreville	1	1		29		40	3	5			104	10 00		1	Mrs. Nannie Price	Miss Ida Sparks.
Chesapeake																
Chestertown	1	1	1	40	41	42	2		70		156	100 00		10	Mrs. Mirian Lusby	Mrs. Nettie Russell.
Chincoteague																
Christ Church	1	1		75		15					116	5 00			Miss Lottie Collins	Miss Katie Gruber.
Clayton																
Concord		1				34	4	5			52	5 00			Miss Myrtle Chigston	
Conquest																
Crisfield	1	1		50		125	10				100	65 00	15 00		Mrs. Edith Horsey	Mrs. Ruth Patterson. Mrs. W. L. Gibson.
Crumpton																
Cumberland	1	1		40		15	10				104	25 00			D. W. Snyder	Mabel P. Yingling.
Deer Creek		2				57	25	2			90	84 00			Jessie L. Hood Emma. L. Robinson	
Deer Park	1	1		20		50	15				98	50 00		4	Carman Wardenfelt	India Gardner.
Delmar																
Delta	1	1		48		22	2				78	32 00			Mrs. A. V. Holden	
Denton	1	1		25		40	4				112	25 90		4	T. Pliny Fisher	Mattie Moore.
Dorchester		1				20					24	2 00	2 00	5	Miss Mary Gore	
Dover		1				36	2				52	59 00			John McCoy	
East Baltimore		1				48	4				52	13 00			Miss Pearl Revell	
Easton		1				40					50				C. D. Lee	
Elizabeth	1	1		34	29	64	4	6			98	25 85			Miss Nellie K. Foote	Mrs. H C. Ballantyne.
Eutaw	1	1		25		25					64	36 20	5 25		John M. Lamley	Kate L. Erdman.
Evergreen	1	1		40		21					104	21 58			Cora M. Stocksdale	Annie Johnson.
Fairfax	2	2		126	12	59	14				208	18 37			Mrs. Luke Turner. Miss Maud Kidwell	Mrs Luke Turner. Miss E. Fox.
Fairfield		1				38	11	9			48	23 00			George Smith	
Fawn Grove		1				91	9	9			38	35 31			Miss Anna Webb	
Finksburg		4				108	10	8			225	120 00	25 00	3	V. H. Morris. Lillie Peeling. G. W. Tanner. M. C. Musselman	
First Church	1	1		15	35	38	5	3			150	140 19	13 00	9	Miss Geneva Thompson.	Mrs. W. T. Watts.
Fox Hill		1				40	7	8			15	2 00			Mattie H. Johnson	

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				Junior.			Y.P.S.C.E.			Senior								
	Junior.	Y. P. S. C. E.	Senior.	Active.	Associate.	Honorary.	Active.	Associate.	Honorary.	Active.	Associate	Honorary.		General Purposes.	Foreign Missions.			
Franklin City																		
Frederick		2					30	20	9				88	$15 00			Miss C. V. Jones Mr. W. S. Ray	
Frederica																		
Felton																		
Georgetown Circuit																		
Georgetown, D. C.	1	1		30			91	14	11				110	61 19	40 00		Miss Amelia Hutchins.	Mrs. T. W. Grimes.
Georgetown, Del.		1					34						52	30 58		3	Mrs. F. J. Holson	
Greenwood	1	1		30			40	5	3				75				Wm. Lynch	Mrs. Porter.
Grove		1					14	6					52	10 00			Miss Hattie Buckley	
Hampden	1	1		43			25	45					80	27 45				Harvey Redding.
Harper's Ferry																		
Harrington	1	1		40			35	5	1					30 00		3	Miss Rella Smith	Mrs. E. L. Phillips. Miss Lucy Raughley.
Heathsville																		
Holly Run																		

Howard																	
Hurlocks		1				20	16								Miss Lizzie Nichols.	
Indian River																	
Jefferson		1				53	20	17			78	$61 00	$15 03		Mrs. M. E. Kindley	
Kemptown		2				80	35				46	10 00			Nicie Lewis C. F. Grubbs	
Kennedyville		1				33	1	14			52	11 69			Miss Annie Shafer	
Kent Island		1				29					61	38 00			Jeannette Callaway	
Laurel, Del.	1	1		68		65	11	1			136	58 95	10 00	28	F. H. Small.	Mrs. M. E. Klein.
Lawsonia		1				20					12	2 65			Miss Minnie Lawson	
Liepsic																
Lewistown		2				35	20	6			68	10 00		12		
Liberty		1				15	20	18			52					
Lisbon		2				50	4				85				Mrs. Laura Pickett Mrs. Kate Black.	
Lynchburg	1	1		52		25					75	28 00			Annie L. Forsberg	Mary S. Apperson.
Mardela		1				25	13				52				Mabel Elderdice	
Mariner's	1			35	10						52	40 00	30 00	4		L. A. Bennett.
Middleway		1				35	8				52			1	Miss Daisy Shaull	
Millville		1				35	5				52				Mrs. M. Hollaway.	
Milton		1				35					52			5	Miss Stella Atkins	
Mt. Nebo		1				19	14	1			52	10 00			Miss Annie Hickey	
Mt. Tabor	1	1		24		15					104	18 00	8 50		Mamie Vessey	Mamie Vessey.
Newark	1	1		73		43	2	8			144	122 50	18 00		Miss Etta Wilcox	Miss May Wright. Mrs. R. T. Smith.
New Market	1	3		18		113	4				208				Mrs. N. J. Krout. Susie Hawkins Ida J. Morris	Ida J. Morris.
N. Baltimore	1	1		12		24	2				114	60 52			Samuel H. Norman	Mrs. F. H. Lewis.
N. C. Avenue		1				15					52	25 70			Miss M. A. Dodge	
Nichols' Memorial		1				13	4	1			40	123 00	6 00		Viola Chaney	
Oak Grove		1				10	4				12				Emma Berryman	
Oxford	1	1		19	15	37	3				104		29 60		Miss Myra Longfield	Miss Nannie I. Stevens.
Payson Street	1			47							40	40 00		1		Miss Ella Sipes.
Pipe Creek	1	1		17		50	2				85	20 74	8 00		Miss S. E. Weaver	B. W. Kindley.
Pittsville		1				25	3				52				Miss Martha Davis	

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	Junior.	Y. P. S. C. E.	Senior	Active.	Associate.	Honorary.	Active.	Associate.	Honorary.	Active.	Associate.	Honorary.		General Purposes.	Foreign Missions			
Pocomoke Circuit		1					14	10									Miss Kate Williams	
Pocomoke City		1					29						40				Jennie Scott	
Potomac	1	1		25	15		35	20					50	$11 55		3	Mrs. A. Thomas	
Powellville																		
Quantico																		
Queen Anne's		2					63	7	4				84	43 10	$19 09	1	Mrs. P. T. Potts Miss Maggie Coppage	
Reliance		1					35	1					40	12 00		20	Arthur Smith	Mrs. H. F. Wright.
Remington		1	1				46					3	56	13 00			Annie Pyle	
Rowlandville																		
Salem		1					20	10	3				30	3 50			Mrs. R. K. Lewis	
Salisbury		1					45						52				Bertha Sheppard	
Seaford	1	1		20	34		70	5					80	10 00		11	Mrs. L. M. Culver	Miss Frank Obier.
Snow Hill	1			25									25	4 00		2		
St. James'		2					73	7	10				104	35 72			R. G. Nicholson Miss M. Elsie Mann	
St. John's, Canton	1	1		40	57		46	8					104	10 00			Mollie Henshaw	Anna M. Brundick.

St. Luke's	1	1		40		1	40						104	117 65			T. Carlyle Jones	Ala B. Jones. Elsie K. Amey.
St. Michael's	1	2		20			45	3					80	25 00			Mrs. J. W. Baker Miss Julia B. Wrightson	Miss Kate A. Baker.
South Baltimore		1					12	5	5				24				C. A. Gareis	
Starr	1	1		20			40						70		$20 00		Mrs. A. W. Totten	Mrs. A. Badger.
Stewartstown	1	2		20			70	8					156					S. J. Shaw.
Susquehanna		2					43	10	5					11 00			Mrs. A. P. Hawkins Miss Hannah Craig	
Sussex																		
Talbot																		
Trinity	1	1		30			25						90	82 40			B. F. Haynes	Mrs. B. F. Haynes.
Union																		
Union Bridge																		
Violetsville	1	1		16		4	35						117	52 77			Jacob Arnold	John R. Schafer.
Waltersville		1					30		1				54	7 00			Miss Eunice Wilson	
Warwick																		
Waverly	1	1		75			35						116	95 00		12	Ida Martin	Mrs. J. F. Bryan.
West Baltimore	1	1		100			68	2	2				101	165 00	45 00	3	Miss Edith Dulaney	Mrs. T. O. Crouse.
Westminster	1	1		25	8		47	8					52	294 69	10 41		Miss Nannie Rinker	Miss M. L. Shriver.
West Wilmington		1					22						50				William Scott	
Wicomico		1					9						3	1 25			Winnona Morse	
Williamsport		1					25	35					46				Miss Katie Hamenla	
Wilmington																		
Wye	1	1		16			24	7					64	19 00	7 00		Miss Ida Mae Dodd	Miss Ida Mae Dodd.
Totals	48	117	2	1756	266	5	3879	668	227	70		3	7180	$3122 03	$373 88	201		
Increase		6											1576			69		
Decrease	7																	

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CONSTITUTION OF MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

ARTICLE 1.

Name and Object.

This association shall be known as the Mutual Relief Association of the itinerant ministers and their wives of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church. Its object shall be to provide a fund for the benefit of the surviving relatives of its members, said fund to be raised and disbursed as hereinafter provided for in this Constitution.

ARTICLE 2.

Officers, Elections and Meetings.

This association shall meet annually during the session of the Maryland annual Conference, and shall elect by ballot from its own members three vice-presidents, secretary and treasurer. The president of the conference shall be the president of the association.

ARTICLE 3.

Membership.

All itinerant ministers of the Maryland Annual Conference and their wives shall be eligible to membership.

ARTICLE 4.

Decease of a Member.

Upon the death of a member of this association, the president shall draw his order on the secretary within forty days after he shall have received the proper notice thereof, for a sum equal to one dollar for every member of the association at the date of said death, for the whole amount of mortuary dues which the secretary has been able to collect; less expense of collection, and the secretary shall forthwith pay the sum so called for to the husband, widow, child or children, or to such person or persons to whom the deceased may have disposed of the same by will or other assignment; or to the legal heirs of the deceased.

ARTICLE 5.

Dues and Penalties.

SECTION 1. Upon the death of a member of the association, it shall be the duty of the secretary to notify each member of such death, and thereupon each member shall within thirty days from the date of said notice, pay to the secretary the sum of one dollar; and in case any member neglects or refuse to pay the same, the name of such person shall be erased from the roll of members, and such delinquent shall forfeit all claims upon the association; nevertheless, any such delinquent having paid his dues, may be reinstated at the annual meeting.

SEC. 2. A notice directed and sent to the postoffice address or the residence of a member, as recorded in the books of the secretary, shall be deemed a legal notice.

CONFERENCE DIRECTORY.

No	Name.	Charge.	P. O. Address.
1	Anstine, D. W.	Trinity,	Marion Sta.,Somerset co., Md.
2	Arnett, C. S.	South Baltimore,	1214 Light st., Baltimore, Md.
3	Bacchus, G. Q.	Lynchburg.	Lynchburg, Va.
4	Balderston, J. W.	Seaford,	Seaford, Sussex co., Del.
5	Bates, L. W.	Superannuate,	1800½ W.Lanvale st.,Balto.,Md.
6	Beane, A. S.	Bedford,	Cumberl'd Val.,Bedford co.Pa.
7	Bennington, H. E.	Milton,	Milton, Sussex co., Del.
8	Bennett, L. A.	Mariner's,	Bedsworth, Somerset co.,Md.
9	Benson, B. F.	W. T. Seminary,	Westminster, Md.
10	Benson, F. T.	Centreville,	Centreville, Q. Anne co.,Md.
11	Blake, Dorsey	Fawn Grove,	Fawn Grove, York co , Pa.
12	Bowers, J. S.	St. John's, Ind.	115 N. Liberty st., Balto., Md.
13	Brown, J. McLain	Warwick,	Warwick, Cecil co., Md.
14	Brown, Geo. E.	Georgetown Ct.	Georgetown, Sussex co., Del.
15	Bryan, J. F.	Waverly,	18 Ind.St ,Waverly,Bal.to, Md.
16	Bichell, A. A.	Mt. Nebo,	State Hill, York co., Pa.
17	C. J. Burdette,	Deer Park,	Smallwood, Carroll co., Md.
18	Cain, F. S,	Pocomoke,	West, Somerset co., Md.
19	Cassen, S. F.	New Market,	Maryland Line, Balto. co.,Md.
20	Clayton, G. M.	Stewartstown,	Stewartstown, York co., Pa.
21	Compher, Chas.	Christ Church,	1124 N. Fulton ave.,Balto. Md.
22	Crouse, W. A.	Superannuate,	Westminster, Carroll co., Md.
23	Crouse, T. O.	West Baltimore,	1622 Harlem ave., Balto , Md.
24	Cushing, H. C.	Superannuate,	Sudley Springs, P. W. co.,Va.
25	Coe, S. W.	Belair,	Belair, Harford co., Md.
26	Cullum, C. M.	Kemptown,	Kemptown, Frederick co.,Md.
27	Daugherty, J. H.	Superannuate,	West, Somerset co., Md.
28	Day, H. J.	Superannuate,	2435 Druid Hill ave.,Balto ,Md
29	Dick, A. D.	Superannuate,	Federalsburg,Caroline co.,Md.
30	Dickey, J. M.	Denton,	Denton, Caroline co., Md.
31	Donovan, Avery	Snow Hill,	Snow Hill, Worcester co., Md.
32	Donaldson, G. R.	Grove,	Grove, Caroline co., Md.
33	Drinkhouse, E. J.	Supernumerary,	2331 N.Calvert st.,Balto., Md.
34	Dryden, C. E.	Waltersville,	Bivalve, Wicomico co., Md.
35	Dyott, L. R.	Newark,	43 Hill street, Newark, N. J.
36	Daugherty, C. L.	Talbot,	Trappe, Talbot county, Md.
37	Edmonston, G. D.	No app't at request,	Savage, Mineral co., W. Va.
38	Elderdice, H. L.	W. T. Seminary,	Westminster, Carroll co., Md.
39	Elderdice, J. L.	St. John's, Canton,	3116 Hudson st., Balto., Md.
40	Ewell, J. E. T.	Delmar,	Delmar, Sussex co., Del.
41	Ewell, J. H. S.	Georgetown, Del.	Georgetown, Sussex co., Del.
42	Ewing, E. O.	Pittsville,	Pittsville, Wicomico co., Md.
43	Farring, G. F.	Harper's Ferry,	Harper's Ferry, Jeff.co.,W.Va.
44	Floyd, W. J.	Liberty,	Libertytown, Freder'k co.,Md.
45	Fooks, E. S.	Conquest,	New Church, Accomac co. Va.
46	Gill, J. M.	Chestertown,	Chestertown, Kent co., Md.
47	Graham, W. R.	Westminster,	Westminster, Carroll co., Md.

No	Name.	Charge.	P. O. Address.
48	Gray, J. W.	First Church,	518 4th st., S. E. Wash., D. C.
49	Gibson, N. O.	Dover and Leipsic,	Dover, Kent co., Del.
50	Green, A. H.	Middleway,	Middleway, Jefferson co. W. Va.
51	Greenfield, D. L.	Pocomoke City,	Pocomoke City, Wor. co., Md.
52	Haddaway, G. W.	Crisfield,	Crisfield, Somerset co., Md.
53	Hall, H. C.	Amelia,	Mannboro, Amelia co., Va.
54	Hammond, W. S.	Broadway,	1702 E. Monument st., Balto.
55	Harryman, A. A.	Oak Grove & P. G.	Alliance, Surrey co., Va.
56	Hill, G. J.	Concord,	Roxbury, Franklin co., Pa.
57	Hines, G. W.	Queen Anne's,	Ruthburg, Queen Anne co., Md.
58	Hoblitzell, S. A.	St. Michael's,	St. Michael's, Talbot co., Md.
59	Hodge, G. R.	Holly Run,	Welham's, A. A. co., Md.
60	Holland, F. A.	Beaver Dam,	Harbeson, Sussex co., Del.
61	Holmes, J. M.	Alnutt Memorial,	2028 E. Lombard st., Balto., Md.
62	Holmes, W. G.	Superannuate,	Mardela Sp'gs, Wic'co co., Md.
63	Jester, B. F.	Cecil,	Bayview, Cecil co., Md.
64	Johnson, H. S.	Deer Creek,	Chestnut Hill, Harford co., Md.
65	Johnson, H. W. D.	Franklin City,	Greenbackville, Acco. co., Va.
66	Jones, J. B.	St. Luke's,	Erie & Park aves., Phila., Pa.
67	Jones, E. H.	Frederica,	Frederica, Kent co., Del.
68	Judefind, W. B.	Parksley,	Parksley, Accomac co., Va.
69	Keen, H. O.	Remington,	2818 Huntingdon ave., Balto.
70	Kindley, B. W.	Pipe Creek,	Uniontown, Carroll co., Md.
71	Kinzer, J. D.	Georgetown, D. C.	1236 31st st., N.W. Wash. D.C.
72	Kirk, J. W.	Central,	1316 Corcoran st., N.W. Wash.
73	Klein, F. C.	Laurel,	Laurel, Sussex co., Del.
74	Lassell, J. T.	Oxford,	Oxford, Talbot co., Md.
75	Leas, H. S.	Fairfax,	Vienna, Fairfax co., Va.
76	Lewis, T. H.	W. Md. College,	Westminster, Carroll co., Md.
77	Lewis, R. K.	Salem,	Westover, Somerset co., Md.
78	Lewis, F. H.	North Baltimore,	424 E. North ave., Balto., Md.
79	Litsinger, W. D.	Howard,	Clarksville, Howard co., Md.
80	Litsinger, W. H.	Delta,	Delta, York co., Pa.
81	Little, F. T.	Starr,	128 S. Poppleton st., Balto., Md.
82	Littleton, C. H.	Superannuate,	1920 Mosher st., Balto., Md.
83	Livingston, W. O.	Wicomico,	Wicomico Ch., North'd co., Va.
84	Lucas, W. J. D.	Superannuate,	Denton, Caroline co., Md.
85	Makosky, E. C.	St. James,	Hanesville, Kent co., Md.
86	Maloy, J. E.	Rowlandville,	Rowlandville, Cecil co., Md.
87	Mather, A. W.	Union,	Sharptown, Wicomico co., Md.
88	McCready, G. R.	Sussex,	Laurel, Sussex co., Del.
89	McCullough, C. E.	Kent Island,	Kent Island, Q. A. co., Md,
90	Melvin, A. D.	President,	42 Parkin st., Baltimore, Md.
91	McCaslin, C. K.	Accomac,	Leemont, Accomac co., Va,
92	Mills, J. L.	Brooklyn,	Brooklyn, A. A. co., Md.
93	Morris G. A.	Powellville,	Powellville, Wicomico co., Md.
94	Mullineaux, F. H.	Chesapeake,	Edesville, Kent co., Md.
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"The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, 'Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.'" . . .

"And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God."—*St. John, I: 29 and 34.*

John the Baptist began his ministry in the wilderness of Judea. His mission was to "prepare the way of the Lord." He was only "a voice crying in the wilderness." Prepare ye the way of the Lord; make His paths straight. He was the messenger of God, sent before the face of Jesus to "make ready a people prepared for the Lord." As the Forerunner of Jesus his work was to turn the people to the Lord their God. The cry of this messenger was, "Repent ye, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" This call to repentance was heard by many people of many different classes. Some who heard "brought forth fruits meet for repentance," and, making confession of sins, were baptized unto repentance. John heard the cries of these penitents as they sought his baptism. He baptized them in Jordan as they confessed themselves to be sinners. But he did not teach them that his baptism was all. He impressed upon them the fact that his ministry was only a ministry of preparation. He was simply getting ready a people prepared for the Lord. His teachings insisted upon sin being forsaken as the essential preparation to meet and to be ready for the Lord, who was at hand with the kingdom of heaven. Whether the penitent who stood before John seeking his baptism were a publican, or a soldier, or a fisherman, or a Sadducee, or a Pharisee, each man must "bring forth the fruits meet for repentance." Every man must turn from his personal sins, forsaking them at once and forever, before he would be prepared to receive the Lord. John baptized no man desiring him to rest in his baptism as if that were all of his ministry, and as if there were nothing more. He insisted that his ministry was only a ministry of preparation. He was simply turning the people towards the coming Lord. He cried, "Repent ye!" But he insisted upon repentance because the "kingdom of heaven was at hand." He invited them to his baptism, but he taught them, "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear; He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire." He brought them to repentance, and heard them confessing their sins, but all of this was only preparatory to the coming of "the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." All of the min-

istry of the Forerunner looked to the coming of the Son of God, whose salvation they were to seek and whose steps they were to follow. John's own disciples were being prepared for the Lord. At His coming they were to be turned over to Him and become His disciples. Until Jesus came John was to prepare the people to meet the Lord. At His coming the messenger was to transfer his followers to the Lord, and henceforth they should follow Jesus. After the herald had prepared the way, and announced the presence of the Lord, and turned over his gathered ones to the Son of God, John would decrease, but Jesus would increase. It is the work of every messenger of God to deliver the message that God sends through him to the people. It is his work to prepare the way of the Lord, to make ready the people that he gathers to receive the Lord as their Divine Saviour from sin. Having brought his people to the Christ and witnessed their conversion to Him, he should be willing to continue in the field of preparation work—to make ready more people for the Lord—and should always rejoice when those he gathers become consecrated followers of the Lord Jesus.

Jesus began His ministry by accepting and endorsing the ministry of His Forerunner. Leaving Nazareth, He came to the Jordan seeking and obtaining the "baptism of John." He silenced all of the objection that John made to his baptism at His hands by saying, "Suffer it to be so now, for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness." Receiving the baptism "to fulfill all righteousness," Jesus prayed. With the water of John's baptism resting upon Him, He lifted His heart to God His Father in prayer. In immediate answer to His prayer, "the heavens were opened unto Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting upon Him; and, lo! a voice from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

Thus Jesus entered upon his ministry to "fulfill all righteousness." In answer to his prayer heaven was opened unto Him. He received the fulness of the Holy Ghost and had all power in heaven and earth. He heard the Father's voice proclaiming his divine Sonship, and declaring his pleasure in him. "This same Jesus standing under the opened heavens with the holy dove resting upon his head, and the voice of God proclaiming His divine Sonship, is "The Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." He will go forward in his work of salvation until "In due time Christ shall die for the ungodly." When he shall cry "It is finished," and the crimson blood of His broken heart shall flow through the side riven by a soldier's spear, "a new and living way of entrance into the holiest of all will be opened" to all who enter by the blood of Jesus. Heaven will be opened to every believer in the Lord. The Holy Ghost will descend upon every man who earnestly seeks to be "filled with the Spirit." "And to every one that receives Him He will give power to become a son of God, even to them that believe on His name. God will send into his heart the spirit of adoption so that he can cry "Abba, Father."

After His double baptism Jesus stands on the banks of the Jordan. The water of the sacred river is upon his brow. The holy dove is upon his head. The declaration of the everlasting Father is ringing through his heart. He is God's beloved Son and the Spirit of the Lord is upon Him. Not long does He stand on the bank of the river. He turns to leave the scene of His divine inauguration. But He does not go back to Nazareth. The quiet, peaceful, restful home life of His mother's roof is behind Him. There is a different future before Him. The coming days will be days of self-denial, of suffering, and of conflict, until he shall have met and conquered every foe of man, and shall lay down His life upon the altar of the cross as "The Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." Under the leadership of the Spirit He turns His steps towards the wilderness and enters the desert of temptation. He walks away from the presence of His Forerunner and enters the wilderness alone there to come into conflict with the evil one. He passes out from under the opened heavens and goes into the solitude of the dreary waste. He departs from the outshining of the glory of God to spend forty days in the wilderness where He will be visited by the "powers of darkness." The full anointing of the Holy Spirit upon Him, but there will come to Him in the loneliness of the wilderness another spirit who will not wear the form of a dove, and whose mission will not be holy. He goes away from the Jordan carrying with Him the voice of God, saying "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased." But in the wilderness there will come to Him another voice, who will endeavor to throw doubt upon His divine Sonship and seek to lead Him away from His chosen mission of sacrificing His life for the redemption of sinners. "Jesus was led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil."

Satan came to Him with his temptations: the temptations were triple. Jesus was in the wilderness alone. His environment was desolation. After the forty days' fast His hunger was keen. His temptation was real, strong and powerful. It was to try the power of His divine Sonship by converting stones into bread to satisfy His own hunger. The first Adam lived in the Garden of the Lord with everything good for food at his hand. The last Adam was in the wilderness with no food at all of any kind at hand. There were stones shaped like loaves of bread at His feet that semed to mock His hunger. The same tempter came to both, and, in some respects, with the same temptation, to obtain desirable food. The first Adam yielded at the first temptation and took the fruit that God had forbidden. The last Adam refused the food offered by Satan, and chose rather "to live on every word of God." The second temptation was to test his trust in God by imperiling His life and depending upon angelic rescue. This temptation was also refused, and the victory won by feeding on the Word of God. "Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God." The third temptation came "All the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them will I give Thee, if Thou wilt fall down and worship me." This

temptation was also refused. Satan was ordered out of His path. "Get thee hence, Satan." Jesus still fed on the word of God. "It is written, thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve." Jesus wanted the world; but He did not want it as the gift of Satan. He would not accept the world as a gift from Satan upon Satan's conditions. He wanted it as His own conquest. He would buy the world with His own blood. He would redeem it with the price of His own life. He would win it with the power of His own Gospel. He would sow it with the Word of God. He would cover it with the knowledge of the Lord. He would nourish it with the grace of God. And he would fill it with the love of God. By the power of his sacrificial love He would draw the world to Himself so that every knee would bow to Him, and every tongue make its confession to Him to the glory of God the Father, "Who so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." The conflict with Satan ended for a season. Jesus had resisted him at every point, and had overcome all of his temptations. The victory was won. The last Adam passed through the dispensation of the devil without sin. He remained sinless. Angels came and ministered unto Him.

Up to this time the Beloved Son had been alone. No man had joined him. No man had stood at his side. He had not asked any man to become his disciple. He had identified himself with the ministry of John. He had received baptism at his hands. He had approached God through prayer. In answer to his prayer God had opened Heaven to him, poured out his Spirit upon him, and proclaimed him to be his beloved Son. He had followed the leading of the Spirit, and had been brought into conflict with the devil, and had overcome the wicked one. He had received the ministry of Angels; but, so far as man was concerned, he stood alone. He knew God. He knew Satan. He knew the Angels. The time was come when he would show his knowledge of men, and reveal himself unto men so that they would see him to be the Son of God and the Saviour of the world. He had looked into the opened heavens. He had stood close to the king of hell, and knew what was in the bottomless pit. Henceforth He would go among men to deliver them from the power of the devil, and lead them to become the sons of God. He would seek and save the lost, so that they should not perish in the bottomless pit, but be lifted up to the opened heavens where, as sons of God, they should spend everlasting life with fulness of joy and pleasures for ever more. He would deliver men from the guilt and power of sin, and bestowing upon them the divine pardon of sin, wash guilt out of their hearts, and make them whiter than the snow. Son of God he was. He was, also, the "Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." From henceforth he would manifest himself unto men as the Saviour of the world.

He turns away from the desert of fasting and hunger. He leaves the

place of temptation. After receiving the ministry of the Angels, he departs from the wilderness, and goes back to the scene of his baptism, to the place where he had stood under the opened heavens. He stands once more in the presence of his Forerunner, and waits for his testimony. He is in the midst of the multitude listening to the preaching of his messenger. He is unnoticed by and unknown to the crowd. But he is in the vision of the wilderness prophet who has been preaching, "Repent ye: for the kingdom of Heaven is at hand." The King is at hand to receive candidates for the kingdom of Heaven. The Lamb of God is present to receive penitents whose sins he will take away. Jesus comes to John for his first disciples.

When the Beloved Son stood among the people listening to the words of the wilderness preacher, John was surrounded by a deputation of priests and Levites from Jerusalem who were plying him with questions concerning himself and his ministry. His answers to them are clear, but chiefly in the negative. He is not the Christ. He is not Elias. He is not that Prophet. All that he would say concerning himself was, "I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness." Make straight the way of the Lord, as saith the Prophet Elias! Then the Pharisees asked him, "Why baptizest thou then! if thou be not that Christ, nor Elias, neither that Prophet?" Then he answered them, "I baptize with water; but there standeth one among you, whom ye know not. He it is, who coming after me is preferred before me, whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose." Jesus was then standing in the view of John's eye. But neither his look nor his words seem to have made any deep impression on the priests, or Levites, nor even upon his own disciples. Certainly there is no record of any notice being taken of these words, nor any inquiry made at the time of the "One standing among them." General statements concerning Jesus, or concerning the presence of Jesus in a congregation appear to be insufficient to arouse interest and to turn attention to Him. General statements concerning the Lord's presence may be true, and ought to be sufficient to arrest the attention of men and lead them to think of Him who, standing among them, would graciously give his salvation to those who would look unto him with the desire to be saved. But if we would arrest human attention and turn it to the Son of God so that men will become his followers, then we must be definite in our utterances concerning him. We must fasten our own eyes upon him, and present him to the people as the personal Christ who is the need of the individual soul. We must point him out as He is, and what He is to men if we would so make him known that they would desire to become his disciples. We must point him out as the Son of God, and as "The Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." Jesus must be made known to the world. His mission is to the whole world, and to every creature in the world. He is the Redeemer of the world. "He tasted death for every man." His saving grace must be made known to every

man. It is not enough for the preacher to know him. It is not enough for the church to know him. The whole congregation must have Him brought to their notice and attention. Every man should be made acquainted with the Son of God, who is the Saviour of men. The minister and the lay disciples may know Him as "The Son of God" and as "The Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." These, knowing Him as the Divine Saviour, as the only One who is able to save men, should make Him known to others, so that they may worship Him as the Son of God, and shall trust Him as their Saviour from sin. The next day, when John saw Jesus approaching the scene of his ministry, he pointed to Him, saying, "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." We must not conceal our knowledge of Jesus. Our Lord and Saviour must not be so hidden in our own hearts as to keep Him from the eyes of others, who also need Him. We must make Him known to the world. We must publish the things concerning Him that the Spirit has revealed to us. "Freely we have received." We must "freely give." There is no salvation for men save through the blood of the Son of God. "There is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved." Knowing this, and knowing Jesus to be the Son of God and the Saviour of the world, we should publish this precious truth to the world, making it known to every man, so that every soul shall have the opportunity of becoming acquainted with the Lord's Christ, and may call upon Him for salvation.

A personal knowledge of Jesus as the Son of God and as the "Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world" is essential to winning men to Christ. Without this personal knowledge we cannot be efficient laborers in the world-field to save men. Without this knowledge we cannot be laborers together with God for the upbuilding of Zion. If we would undertake, suceessfully undertake, to bring men to Christ we must know Jesus as the Son of God who has power upon earth to forgive sin. We know that the world is full of sin. Man's life is covered with transgression. His "heart is deceitful above all things, and is desperately wicked." Evil abounds everywhere. There is only one thing that can wash sin out of the human heart, and that is the "blood of Jesus." "The blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth from all sin." If we would bring sinners to the fountain of blood to have their sins washed away, we must know Him who died for all. The need of this age is soul-winning. Souls are perishing all over the world. Men are living and dying in sin by great multitudes. Our churches are being depleted. Our membership is not growing as it should. Our accessions are few and far between. Our altars only have a penitent now and then. It is true, that in some of our churches during the past year there have been many conversions and large ingatherings. But the lament of the denominations everywhere is, souls are not being saved. The cry of the day is for souls.

Why is it that souls are not being saved in greater number? Why is Methodism not growing more rapidly? Why is it that so few are being saved under our ministry? It is not that the Gospel has lost any of its might. "It is still the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." The blood of Jesus has lost none of its efficiency. It is still sufficient to wash scarlet sins out of the human heart, and to make it whiter than snow. It is not that Jesus has lost any of His power to save. The Son of Man still has power upon earth to forgive sins. It is not that God has ceased to love the world, or to care for human souls. His love is an everlasting love. He still rejoices over the return of sinners to him seeking forgiveness. Is it that we are failing to bring Jesus to the attention of our people with sufficient emphasis as the Son of God, and as the Saviour of the world? Are we simply speaking of Him as being in the midst of our congregations without directing the notice of individuals to "Behold Him as the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world?" Surely, it cannot be that we do not know Him well enough ourselves as the Divine Saviour as to dwell upon the blessedness of His salvation! We do know Him, and we know Him as God's own Son who bore our sins in His own body on the tree.

Knowledge of Jesus is obtained by revelation. In the ages before the completion of the full revelation of Jesus Christ as contained in the completed Bible, God made direct revelation of himself to men for their personal instruction and for the instruction of others. God made Christ known to John by the baptism of the Holy Ghost at the Jordan. The One who sent him to baptize with water said unto him, "Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending and remaining on him, the same is He which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost." John saw the heavens opened. He saw the Holy Spirit descending. He saw the Dove remaining on the head of Jesus. He heard the voice of God proclaiming from the opened heavens, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Having been a witness of this, John saw and bare record that that is the Son of God. How he came to know Jesus as "The Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world," is not so clearly told us. It may have been that this knowledge was conveyed to his inner man in connection with the study of the Word of God as he had it from Genesis to Malachi. The prayerful study of Isaiah may have deeply impressed this knowledge upon his heart. God had led him to see himself as the messenger of God, as foretold by the evangelical prophet. It may have been that the same God opened the eyes of his understanding as he studied the prophecies of Isaiah concerning the coming of the Messiah. Looking at the One spoken of in Isaiah LIII, he may have seen Jesus as the Lamb of God. He may have seen Him laden with the iniquity of all, bearing the griefs and carrying the sorrows of all. He may have seen Him wounded for our transgressions, bruised for our iniquities, chastised for our peace, and healing us with His stripes. Through divine revelation John knew Jesus to be

the Son of God, bearing the sin of the world to save men from their sins. We have the same revelation. The completed Bible, with all that John knew, and much more than he knew, is in our hands. We have the full revelation of Jesus Christ. We can go back beyond the "beginning" of Genesis and see the Son of God. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." We can see Him as He was disclosed to fallen man, down through the ages, as the coming Deliverer. We can behold Him as He becomes the Son of the Virgin, and stands before men in human flesh as the incarnate Son of God. We can see Him throughout His life as He steadily moves onward to the cross of crucifixion. We can follow His steps as He goes in to Gethsemane to sweat blood in agonizing prayer, and to drink the full cup to its bitterest dregs. We can see Him as He stands to receive the terrible scourging inflicted by the horrible whip of Pilate. We can see Him as He is stretched upon the rough wood as the iron is being driven through His flesh nailing Him to the cross for our sins. We can see Him hanging upon the accursed tree suffering the just for the unjust that He might bring us to God. We can see the spear plunged into His side, and look at the blood as it streams forth from His heart of love, seeing the fountain opened for sin and uncleanness, and know that we have been redeemed with the precious blood of Christ. We can go still farther in the disclosure. We can see Him conquering death, winning the victory over the grave, and know that Christ is risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept. We can see Him ascending to heaven where He ever liveth to make intercession for them that come unto God by Him, and whom He is able to save to the uttermost. Through the revelation given to St. John we see Him as the Lamb that was slain but liveth again, sitting in the midst of the throne of God. Having all of this knowledge and more of Jesus by revelation, surely we do know Him to be the Son of God and "the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world." Having come to this same Jesus for our personal salvation, and being justified by faith, and having peace with God through Our Lord Jesus Christ, surely we ought to have the power of our knowledge, and so preach Jesus to the people, that they will turn to Him for salvation and become His disciples. Knowing our Saviour to be divine, and knowing that He was manifested to take away our sins, let us, always, in every sermon, upon every opportune occasion, hold Him up before the people as the need of all men, hoping that in some measure we may witness the fulfillment of His own words, "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men to Me."

We cannot know Jesus too well. The better we know Him, the better will we preach Him. We should always draw as near to Him as possible, and look at Him with growing desire to possess more of His knowledge and more of His grace. We should look at Jesus until the blessedness and power of his presence shall fill our souls. Those who see Jesus dis-

tinctly preach Him efficiently. Those who look at Him longest have the best appreciation of his worth. The hungry heart that feeds on Jesus as the "Bread of Life" as food for the hungry souls of his congregation which they will gladly eat. He who draws very close to the bleeding side of Jesus and looks intently upon the suffering Saviour until he feels the magnetism of the Crucified will take that attractive power into the pulpit and will endeavor to fasten the eyes of the people upon Him "Who loved us and gave Himself for us." We must not content ourselves with seeing Him once as One standing in the midst of the church. Nor is one look at Him as the Son of God sufficient to preach Him successfully. A single glance at Him as "The Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world" is not all that is essential to set Him forth as the precious bleeding sacrifice. We must look at Him again and again. Jesus must always be attractive to us. To Him we must repeatedly go, and look at Him long and earnestly, until we shall drink in His love, and then, constrained by the love of Christ, lift Him up before our hearers so that they may behold His love and give Him their love in return. There is a story told of a poorly dressed and hard working man who used to enter a certain church every morning on his way to work. He would stay only a short time and then come out and go to his work. But it was noticed that his face always had a changed appearance as he came out of the church. He would enter the church with a troubled countenance. He would come out of it with a radiant face. The minister watched him several times, and finally determined to ask him why he entered the church every morning. So one morning, stopping him, he asked: "Alphonse, do you not come to say your prayers?" He answered: "No, father; I just come to look at God, and God looks at me." That daily look at God changed his life for the better and brought him much happiness. We need to daily look at Jesus, and to have Jesus look at us. Our wistful faces turned towards His will be met with His blessing bestowed upon us, so that we will not only be better people for that daily look, but we will become more efficient preachers the more we look at Jesus and realize that He is mighty to save. Looking at Jesus brings soul satisfaction, and with this satisfaction there comes the desire to make others acquainted with the Jesus who satisfies. John looked at Jesus until his face showed the hidden satisfaction of his heart. Then he said to others: "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." Two of his disciples turned and looked and followed Jesus. After Andrew had stayed long enough with Jesus to know Him as the Christ, he was satisfied, and then went after his brother Simon and brought him to Jesus. Phillip followed in the footsteps of Jesus long enough to become satisfied with Him, and then he went and found his friend Nathaniel, and persuaded him to come and see Jesus. And when Nathaniel stayed with Him long enough to known Him, he was satisfied with Him, saying, "Rabbi, Thou art the Son of God; Thou art the king of Israel." Let us fasten our eyes upon the

Master and we will become satisfied with Him, and then we will not only gladly follow Him, but we will go after others to find them and to bring them to Jesus.

Those who know Jesus should make Him known to those who know Him not. Our personal knowledge of the Saviour should be given to others. All men need to know Him. To know Him is life eternal. Eternal life is the gift of God. But this gift can only be obtained through a personal knowledge of Jesus as "the Son of God" and as "the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." God gave His only begotten Son that men should not only be rescued from perishing, but also that they might have everlasting life. As the gift of eternal life is conditioned upon faith in Jesus Christ, it is the duty of those who know the Son of God to point Him out to others as the only One who has the words of eternal life.

We should direct the attention of men to Jesus. We should get men to look upon him as "The Son of God," and as the "Lamb of God." The purpose of all our preaching should be to persuade men to look to Jesus for salvation. John gathered men about him, but he gathered them for a purpose. He drew men to him. He held men around him. He preached to them. He brought them to repentance and to confession of sin. His object in this was to bring men to Jesus. He passed Andrew and John from himself to Jesus. How long he preached to these men, I do not know. How long he knew them, I do not know. But his whole purpose in gathering men and in preaching to them was to lead them to Christ. His whole intent was to lead them to see the Son of God, and to trust Him as the "Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world." Every man has an acquaintanceship. Every man has a personal following. Every man holds conversation with other men. Every preacher has a number of hearers who circle around him. What shall he do with them? He should make Jesus known to them as the divine Saviour. He should so point out Jesus to them as to lead them to desire to become his disciples. Every preacher should make acquaintances. He should form friendships. He should gather men to him, and preach to them with all the earnestness of his soul. But his objective should be to bring these men to Jesus. His purpose should not be to simply have pleasant associations. Not simply to increase the number of his friends. Not simply to enjoy social distinction. Not simply to win their approval, Not simply to have large congregations and win great applause. But his purpose should be to make men acquainted with Jesus Christ as the Redeemer of the world. He should endeavor to turn their gaze upon Jesus, so preaching Jesus to them as to win their hearts for Him, and lead them to consecrate their lives to His service. All of the knowledge of the preacher should be utilized to lead men to the cross of Christ so that seeing Him they will fall at His feet and personally cry, God, be merciful to me, a sinner." The preacher should use all his

influence over men, and employ all of his knowledge of Jesus Christ to bring the sinner and Saviour together for the salvation of the sinner. Some years ago, when I was the pastor of St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia, I held an anniversary service of the church. Many strangers were attracted to the service. Among these was a gentleman of refined appearance and devout deportment, who approached me after the morning service and said, "Mr. Neepier, I am a stranger to you, but I would like to ask after a minister of your church who years ago manifested concern about my salvation. His name is Dr. John J. Murray. I was only a boy of fourteen at the time. But one day he laid his hand on my head and said, 'My son, I would love to see you become a follower of Jesus and a member of the church.' At the time, I did not give my heart to the Lord, but the words and concern of Dr. Murray about my salvation followed me, and brought me to the Son of God, whose I am, and whom I serve." Let us employ all of our power to bring men to Jesus.

John the Baptist was a preacher who repeatedly called attention to Jesus. He knew that His blood alone could wash away sin. John was a preacher of repentance. He spared no man's sins. All sin must be put away—must be forsaken. John used plain words, sharp words, strong words, severe words when speaking of sin, and insisting upon repentance. In this he cried aloud and spared not. But the objective of all his denunciation of sin, and his insistance upon repentance was to prepare the way of the Lord into the hearts of the people. He wanted them to forsake sin and to look at the Saviour from sin, that in His blood they might wash them away. Repentance has its culmination in sin forsaken and in sin taken away. Man can forsake sin. Only God can take away sin. Jesus took the sin of the world, laid it upon himself, bore it in his own body upon the tree, and took it away by dying on the cross. He can take sin away from the individual penitent; take it away as far as the east is from the west, and make him pure in heart so that he may see God. The ministry must preach repentance. Repentance must be insisted upon everywhere, and by all classes of people. There cannot be any compromise with sin. All men must be commanded to repent. There is no exception, there is no respect of persons with God. There is no partiality. There is an equality of souls. "The rich and the poor meet together, and the Lord is the Maker of them all." There is an equality of sinful condition. Repentance on the part of every sinner is essential to salvation. "Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish." John preached repentance to all. Jesus preached repentance throughout His life. All Gospel ministers must preach repentance. The repentance of sin must be insisted upon. Men must repent or perish. But repentance is not the end of preaching. It is a means to an end. Repentance is not simply to bring men to sorrow, but through their sorrow to lead them to Jesus, so that they may "behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." The minister must point out the divine Saviour to sinners. He must be held up before the people as the Son of God who has power upon earth to forgive sins.

The preaching of repentance must be positive. Sin must be turned from; it must be forsaken. But the sermon must not end without the Saviour being brought before sinners, and His blood must be offered to them as the fountain for sin and uncleanness, and they be urged to pray, "Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow."

The preacher should be listened to with attention until he ends his sermon. The most helpful things may be the last things that he utters. John was severe, positive, stern and uncompromising when he preached against sin. He said severe things to sinners. He called some of them "vipers." He called others "unrighteous." He charged men with being in danger of the wrath to come. He said that the threatening axe was laid at the root of the tree—that the unfruitful tree would be cut down and thrown into the fire, and that the worthless chaff would be burned with unquenchable fire. He made men tremble as he dwelt upon their wickedness and their danger. He insisted upon their repentance and bringing forth the fruits of repentance. But he did not end his preaching with denunciations of sin, nor with unqualified threats of wrathful fires that would burn forever. He preached on until he showed them the presence of the Son of God who had come to save sinners, and he ended his sermon with the tenderest words that man could speak: "Behold, the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world!" Listen always to the preacher until he ends his sermon. It may be very necessary that he thrust your sins home upon your conscience until you shall feel their guilt and power. It may be necessary for him to picture to you the perils that are before you if you continue in sin. He may be constrained to open the mouth of hell at your feet and show you its smoke of torment, and compel you to listen to the cries of lost souls tormented in flame so that you may see what becomes of the man who will not forsake sin. He must insist upon your repentance. But he will not stop there. He will go on in his preaching until he shall show you the compassionate God manifesting His love for sinners, giving His own beloved Son for the ransom to deliver you from going down into the pit. He will bring before you the suffering Lamb of God dying on the cross to take away sin; and he will show you, very tenderly, God's crimson cure for scarlet guilt, and repeat God's words in your hearing, "Come, now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord. Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

Jesus as the divine Saviour must be kept before the people. In these two declarations of the text, "Lamb of God" and "Son of God," we have the gospel of salvation. God's Son is man's Redeemer. The divine Lamb bears the sin of the world. The Son of God is the Lamb of God sacrificing Himself upon the altar of the cross to save the world from sin. He must take Jesus into the pulpit upon every occasion; always hold him up before the people as the divine Saviour from sin. Upon Jesus crucified must be turned the clearest light of our preaching. He must not be hid. He must be made manifest. "We preach not our-

selves, but Christ crucified." Let us focus the light on Jesus. What God wants the people to see he focuses his light on. When He would show Israel the way of escape from the seeming entanglement at the Red sea, He turned the light of the pillar of fire upon the path opened across the sea so that his people might behold the salvation of God and walk in the light of His countenance to the place of safety. When Jesus stepped out of the obscurity of Nazareth and entered upon His life work, standing at the Jordan for His divine inauguration, God turned His light upon Him. From the opened heavens streamed down the light of God shining upon Jesus. Upon Him descended the white dove, luminous with the light of God. In the brilliancy of the light of God, of Father and Holy Spirit, stood Jesus. Then there came God's voice from the opened heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." God wanted men to see Jesus. From that moment the eyes of the Forerunner were turned upon Jesus, and every time he saw Him, thereafter, he fastened His eyes upon him, and endeavored to turn the attention of others towards Him so that they might see Jesus as the Son of God and as the Saviour of the world, that they might "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." At the transfiguration of Jesus there were wonderful disclosures and glorious revelatious. But the objective of all of the outbursting glory was that men should see Jesus as the Son of God who would give His life to ransom men from sin. The living Moses! the living Elijah! stood revealed in glory, but each of them pointed to Jesus, and both of them conversed with Him. The theme, the only theme, of their conversation was the crucifixion of Jesus. "They spake of His decease which He should accomplish at Jerusalem." And when the great cloud filled with God came down and overshadowed all of them, they heard the voice of God saying, "This is my beloved Son; hear Him." Moses disappeared. Elijah faded from view. The cloud vanished. Peter, James and John lifted up their eyes and looked. "They saw no man save Jesus only." They needed no other. They were to look at Him. They were to listen to Him. God had focused His light upon His only begotten and dearly beloved Son. This beloved Son was to die at Jerusalem for the redemption and salvation of the world. Jesus, the Son of God, the Lamb of God, crucified upon the cross, was to be the great sight for the world to look upon, so that they might see what manner of love that the Father hath bestowed upon us that we might be saved from sin and made sons of God. The world needs to see Jesus. He must be brought to human attention more and more, and with greater emphasis. Sinful men need to know Jesus. They need to know Him as the "Son of God," mighty to save. They need to know him as the "Lamb of God," willing to save. Let it be the aim of our preaching to bring Him again and again to human attention, and endeavor every time we preach to bear witness that He is the "Son of God," and the "Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." Let us do this with the desire that our hearers may become immediate disciples of our Lord. And it may be our joy as we speak to see men look at Jesus and follow Him.

MANUAL.

RULES OF ORDER

FOR THE

GOVERNMENT OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCE.

1. Pastors shall send to the Secretary of the Annual Conference the certificate of election of the delegate or delegates to the Annual Conference immediately after the election of the same. He shall also send the name to the pastor of the church where the Conference is held.

2. The Secretary shall make a list of the delegates so certified, omitting all contested cases; and this list, together with the list of the ministerial members, shall constitute the roll of Conference upon which the Conference shall organize.

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE.

RULE I.

Duties of the President.

1. To take the chair precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.

2. Preserve the most rigid order, and confine the members to the subject under consideration.

3. Not allow improper personalities, nor reflections upon any religious communities.

4. Announce each person rising to speak so soon as he shall have addressed the chair, by declaring him "The minister from ——," or "The delegate from ——."

5. State a question sitting, but stand when the question is put and taken; also when he states a point of order; and also when he makes any formal communication to the Conference.

6. Is not allowed to vote when a question is taken, unless there be a tie; but he may vote in case of ballot.

7. May call any member to the chair, when he wishes to participate in debate, or for other purposes; but such person shall not be entitled to the chair after adjournment.

RULE II.

Duties of the Secretary.

1. To perform such duties as are usually required of the Secretary of a deliberative body.

2. Should the President not be in place at the hour of meeting, the Secretary, or in his absence one of his assistants, shall announce the fact, and the Conference shall elect a chairman pro tempore, and proceed to business.

3. Have charge of all the papers belonging to the Conference, and be accountable for them.

4. Be in his place precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.

5. Keep an accurate list of members of the Conference.

6. Keep correct minutes of the proceedings of Conference, including all written resolutions, whether adopted or rejected, and the mover and seconder of all written resolutions.

7. Keep a list of business, on which he shall record all business brought before the Conference, and in the order of its presentation.

8. Keep a list of committees, on which he shall record: *First*, The standing committees, in the order of their arrangement in these rules; and, *Second*, All other committees that may be appointed, and in the order of their appointment.

9. Keep a correct list of the Circuits and Stations, to be used as occasion may require.

10. Report to the Conference any unfinished business of the preceding annual session.

11. Be the Committee on the Publication of the Minutes.

12. Supply the pastors with blanks.

COMMITTEES.

RULE III.

All committees shall be appointed by the President, except when otherwise directed in the Book of the Discipline, or by special vote of the Conference.

RULE IV.

Standing Committees

1. Finance—2 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
2. Itinerancy and Orders—The Faculty of Instruction.
3. Pulpit Service—3 Ministers.
4. Church Extension—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
5. Superannuates—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
6. Literature—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
7. Sabbath Schools—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
8. Temperance—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
9. Benevolent Agencies—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
10. Fraternal Relations—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
11. Official Character—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
12. Statistics—1 Minister, 1 Layman.
13. Obituaries—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. This committee not to be appointed until the death of some minister requires it.
14. Education—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
15. Committee on Missions.
16. President's Report—2 Ministers, 1 Layman.
17. Sabbath Observance—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
18. Committee on Credentials—1 Minister, 2 Laymen.
19. Christian Endeavor Work—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
20. Publication of Minutes—The Secretary.
21. Committee on Transportation.
22. Committee on Church Enterprises—2 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

RULE V.

Any person being a member of two committees, shall have the right to decline an appointment to another.

MOTIONS.

RULE VI.

Every motion shall be written, signed and read aloud by the mover, handed to the chair, and read aloud by the Secretary, before any order can be taken upon it by the Conference; except motions for amendment, to lie on the table, the previous question, or to adjourn.

RULE VII.

Any motion may be divided, if the sense will admit of the proposed division.

RULE VIII.

When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to lie on the table, for the previous question, to commit, to substitute, to amend, or to make the order of the day; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand in this rule; the *first three* to be taken without debate; and the *first* always in order. But when the report of a committee has been under discussion, the motion to lay on the table shall not prevail until the chairman of the committee shall have been heard once on the subject, if he desires to speak.

RULE IX.

The question under discussion shall be put whenever a call for it is made by five brethren, and sustained by a majority of the Conference.

RULE X.

When motions are made for reference of the same subject to a select committee, and to a standing committee, the question on reference to the standing committee shall be first put.

RULE XI.

No motion to commit, or to lie on the table, being decided, shall be again allowed, on the same day, at the same stage of the proposition.

RULE XII.

A motion, after it is seconded, is the property of the Conference, and the mover has no power to withdraw or have it amended, without leave.

RULE XIII.

No amendment shall be in order, further than an amendment to the amendment.

RULE XIV.

In filling up blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be first put. In balloting, blanks shall be rejected and not reported by the tellers.

DECORUM.

RULE XV.

When a member desires to present any business, or to speak to any question, he shall arise and address the chair, "Brother President," and then pause until he is announced to the Conference; after which he may proceed addressing the chair, and restricting his remarks to the subject before the Conference.

RULE XVI.

If two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall determine which of them is entitled to the floor.

RULE XVII.

No interruption shall be allowed while a member is addressing the chair, except a call to order by the Presidont or by a member.

RULE XVIII.

When a member is called to order, he shall take his seat immediately, and be silent, until the President or member who made the call shall state the rule of order supposed to be infringed; after which the member called to order shall have the right to explain, and the President shall decide.

RULE XIX.

In deciding a question of order the President shall restrict himself to the rules of order, and any member declared to be out of order by the President may, if he obtain a second, appeal to the Conference. The question on such appeal shall be taken without debate; but the appellant may state the ground of his appeal. If the Conference sustain the chair, the member shall be allowed to proceed only in order.

RULE XX.

No member shall speak oftener than twice to the same question, without special leave of Conference; nor longer than fifteen minutes at any one time, unless by the same special permission.

RULE XXI.

No member shall be allowed to explain remarks made in previous speech, except in regular debate, unless the member replying thereto requests it, or unless another member requests.

RULE XXII.

Any member shall have the right to call for the reading of the subject under consideration.

RULE XXIII.

Every member shall report at roll call of the first day's session, and be present at the daily sessions of Conference.

RULE XXIV.

After the affirmative of a question has been put, any member who has not spoken before to the question may rise and speak before the negative is put.

RULE XXV.

A member may change his vote at any time before the Chair announces the decision of the question.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION.

RULE XXVI.

At 9 o'clock A. M., on the day to which the Conference adjourned from the last annual session, the President shall open the Conference by reading a portion of the Word of God, singing and prayer.

RULE XXVII.

1. Examination of the President. The President shall call another minister to the chair and read his annual report. The Chairman shall then address the Conference thus: "Brethren, you have heard the report of the President; shall his character pass?" In case of any charge

against the official character of the President, it shall be handed to the Standing District Committee; and the chairman of that committee shall answer the question, "Shall his character pass?"

2. Roll Call. The roll shall then be called, including the Dead Roll. In the event of the death of any member of this Conference, the President shall appoint some member to formally announce the fact to the Conference, and such announcement shall be made when the name of the deceased is reached in the calling of the Conference Roll; and the name shall then, on motion, be transferred to the Dead Roll by the Secretary in the presence of the Conference, and when the name is reached on the Dead Roll, an order of the day shall be named for memorial services for the deceased.

RULE XXVIII.

At 10.30 o'clock, on the first day of each session of the Annual Conference, the President or his substitute shall preach a sermon, and immediately thereafter the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered.

RULE XXIX.

At 2.30 o'clock P. M., on the first day of the session, the officers of the Conference shall be elected by ballot, as follows: 1. President; 2. Secretary; 3. Conference Steward; 4. Church Extension Steward; 5. Superannuated Fund Steward; 6. Foreign Missionary Steward; 7. General Home Missionary Steward; 8. Educational Steward; 9.—The Board of Stewards elected at one session to serve the following session of Conference, and the Conference Steward to appoint an assistant—Standing District Committee, consisting of three elders and three laymen; 10. Committee of Appeals, three ministers and three laymen.

RULE XXX.

Examination of Official Character. The roll shall be called, and the pastors shall deposit their reports, and the collections prescribed by the Conference, each in a sealed envelope, upon which shall be marked the amount, the name of the collection, the name of the pastor, and the name of the charge, in the box of the Conference Steward. The reports and charges against official character shall be handed to the Committee on Official Character. Pastors whose official reports are defective in any point shall be summoned before the committee to explain, and only those cases in which explanation may be unsatisfactory to the committee shall be reported to the Conference; and the characters of all ministers whose names are not reported shall be considered passed.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE DIURNAL SESSION.

RULE XXXI.

The Conference shall be opened each day by reading the Scriptures, singing a hymn and prayer.

RULE XXXII.

The reading of the Minutes of the preceding day for correction shall be first in order.

RULE XXXIII.

The President shall then announce that it is in order for delegates to present any business from the churches they represent; when any delegate, upon recognition by the Chair, may present any business, and it shall be recorded without debate on the list of business.

RULE XXXIV.

The business next in order shall be the Reports of Committees, called for in the order in which they stand on the List of Committees. They shall not report at any other time without special leave.

RULE XXXV.

When any business is laid before the Conference it may be made the order of the day for any other day of the session, and at a specific hour.

RULE XXXVI.

Unfinished business from the last annual session shall have precedence of all business except the order of the day.

RULE XXXVII.

Ordinary business shall have precedence in the order in which it stands on the List of Business.

RULE XXXVIII.

When any business is taken into consideration, it shall not be interrupted by any other business except the order of the day, or by adjournment.

RULE XXXIX.

When there are present Fraternal Messengers and other visitors to whom the courtesy of formal recognition is due, the Chairman of the Committee on Fraternal Relations shall quietly inform the President; whereupon the President may request the visitors to be brought to him, to be by him introduced to Conference, either at that time, or when the state of business may with more propriety be arrested.

RULES OF ADMINISTRATION.

Duties of the President.

1. The President shall appoint the speakers who shall address the Superannuated Fund and Church Extension Societies at the ensuing Annual Conference; and Friday and Monday evenings are set apart for the public meetings, the anniversaries to alternate in the order of their occurrence. The President of Conference Christian Endeavor Union shall appoint speakers for the Annual Rally on Thursday evening.

2. The office of stationing the ministers and preachers is committed to the hands of the President of the Conference.

3. It shall be the duty of the President to fill blanks in statistical report for all charges unsupplied.

4. In the event of the death of any ministerial member, the President shall immediately appoint an Obituary Committee from any number of the most intimate acquaintances of the deceased.

5. The failure of the President to visit any charge does not vitiate his right to the amount assessed for his salary.

6. The President shall represent the general interests of the Conference, and shall present their claims in such a manner and at such times as in his judgment may be necessary.

DUTIES OF STEWARDS.

1. The Conference Steward, Church Extension Steward, Superannuated Fund Steward, Foreign Missionary Steward, General Home Missionary Steward and Educational Steward shall constitute a Conference Board of Stewards to whom the Secretary shall hand all reports and collections as received from pastors.

2. The Board of Stewards shall meet on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock and open the envelopes containing the various collections, count the money enclosed, noting its agreement with the statement of the official report, and on the envelope, and prepare a report of collections to the Conference. The money in hand shall then be passed to the persons designated by the Conference to receive it, and the Reports to the Committee on official Reports.

3. Other duties belonging to the several Stewards shall be perfomed and reported upon separately as now.

DUTIES OF PASTORS.

1. The pastor shall seek the co-operation of the Stewards in collecting the assessments made by the Annual Conference; admonishing them of their duty in this matter as contained in the Discipline, under the head of "Duties of Stewards," pp. 116–17.

2. It is the duty of pastors to examine and see that suitable deeds be had for all churches, so as to secure them to the Methodist Protestant Church, and, wherever possible, have them incorporated.

3. Pastors are required to apportion the President's salary equitably among the several appointments, and use their utmost endeavors to collect the same before the annual visit of the President.

4. Pastors are required to see that the families belonging to their respective charges are duly supplied with the Catechism of our Church.

5. Pastors are instructed to ascertain of those received into the Church whether they have been baptized, and if not, to administer the ordinance of baptism without unnecessary delay.

6. Every pastor is required to do his utmost to collect the full amount of the assessments made upon his charge, whatever may be the difficulties that he may encounter.

7. It is the duty of the pastor to preside on the trial of an accused unstationed minister or preacher.

8. Pastors are required to report to the Annual Conference the amounts contributed to Foreign Missions by the auxiliaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies, and due credit shall be given in the Minutes.

EXPENSES OF CONFERENCE.

The churches shall be assessed in a sum sufficient to meet the incidental expenses, including the publication of the Minutes—each church receiving Minutes in proportion to the amount contributed.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

The Conference shall be opened by reading a portion of the Word of God and prayer, after which the business shall proceed in the following order:

1. Call the roll, noting those present and absent.
2. Read minutes of last meeting.
3. Make necessary corrections in official list.
4. Consider objections to official character.
5. At first Quarterly Conference elect a Secretary, an Advisory Committee and Committee on Examinations.
6. Hear reports—
   a. From pastor and associates.
   b. From superannuates.

c. From unstationed ministers, preachers and exhorters.
d. From class-leaders, S. S. Superintendents and Presidents of C. E. Societies.
e. From Trustees and Stewards.

7. Hear and decide on appeals.
8. Inquire faithfully whether candidates for exhorter's and preacher's license, for itinerancy and orders, pursue the prescribed course of study and reading.
9. Grant and renew licenses.
10. Recommend to Board of Ministerial Education.
11. Recommend for orders and itinerancy.
12. Consider applications of ministers and preachers who desire to become members of this Quarterly Conference.
13. Hear suggestions from Advisory Committee.
14. Inquire why church property is not insured.
15. Incidental business.
16. Fix place for next Quarterly Conference.
17. Adjourn with benediction.

SUFFRAGE AND ELIGIBILITY.

1. Every minister, preacher and member in full communion and fellowship, having attained the age of twenty-one years, shall be entitled to vote in all cases.

2. All members in full communion and fellowship shall have the right to vote in the election of their class-leaders; and those who have attained the age of twenty-one years shall be "qualified members" for the purpose indicated in Section 3 of Article IV of the Constitution, and in divisions 1 and 4 of "General Duties of Trustee," found on pages 114 and 115 of Discipline.

3. Every minister, preacher and lay male member in full communion and fellowship, having attained the age of twenty-five years, shall be eligible as a representative in the General Conference.

4. Every member in full communion and fellowship, having attained the age of twenty-one years, shall be eligible as a Steward, Class-leader and Sunday-school Superintendent; and every male member in full communion and fellowship, having attained the age of twenty-one years, shall be eligible as a Trustee and a Delegate to the Annual Conference.

5. No minister shall be eligible to the office of President of the Annual Conference until he shall have faithfully exercised the office of Elder two years.

ADMINISTERING ORDINANCES.

No person, in virtue merely of a license to preach, or even election to orders, is empowered to administer or assist in administering the Christian ordinances.

UNSTATIONED MINISTERS.

The Conference will not recognize as a minister of the Methodist Protestant Church any man who does not bring credentials from some other orthodox denomination, or who has not received suitable testimonials of ministerial character from our own Church. In returning the list of ministers and preachers, pastors shall name no person who does not possess the foregoing qualifications.

LOTTERIES.

The practice of raising funds for church purposes, by means of lotteries and other games of hazard, is disapproved by the Conference, and pastors are enjoined to discountenance their use.

MORTGAGING CHURCH PROPERTY.

The placing of Mortgages upon church property, for the purpose, directly or indirectly, of paying the pastor's salary, is, so far as it has authority, disallowed by the Conference.

OBITUARIES.

1. It shall be the duty of the Committee, appointed in accordance with the Rule of Conference, to prepare an obituary, without delay, containing a notice of the place and date of the birth of the brother, the date of his conversion, receiving license to preach, and his reception into the Conference, together with any other important facts connected with his history which their judgment may dictate, in addition to the particulars of his death, and said obituary shall at once be forwarded to THE METHODIST PROTESTANT for publication, and be reported to the ensuing session of Conference.

2. Every ministerial member of this Conference is hereby requested to make and keep by him a record of his nativity, and of all the prominent acts in his Christian and ministerial history.

3. The obituaries of wives and widows of the ministerial members of the Conference shall also be published in the Minutes.

MOTIONS TO FIX TIME AND PLACE.

All motions to fix time and place of the meeting of the Annual Conference shall lie on the table twenty-four hours.

MARRIAGES.

The conference cannot encourage any of its members to expect support as married men until they shall have served at least four years in the itinerancy.

CAMP MEETINGS.

Camp Meetings shall have the sanction of Conference and receive ministerial aid from it on the following conditions:

1. There shall be no traffic on the Lord's day on the camp-ground, or the adjacent territory protected by the laws of the State.

2. The managers or other officers of the camp-meeting shall not bargain for or receive any portion of the money paid to railroads, or to the owner or owners of any conveyance or conveyances, as a consideration for conveying persons to the camp-ground, or the vicinity thereof on the Lord's day.

3. Faithful efforts shall be made by the official members of the church, and all persons having authority at camp-meetings, to maintain the due observance of the Lord's day.

4. No advertisement of the running of trains on the Lord's day shall be made by any of the persons referred to in the preceding paragraphs, nor shall anything be done by their authority or solicitation to contravene the foregoing regulations.

5. Upon receiving from a quarterly conference a request for ministerial supply and a pledge that the above regulations will be faithfully

observed, the President of the Annual Conference shall appoint members of this Conference to assist in conducting the camp meeting.

In the absence of a request and a pledge such as are named above, the President shall not appoint such ministerial supply, nor shall any member of this Conference conduct such camp meeting as pastor.

Appointees to camp meeting service must be given four weeks' notice of their appointment. If they find it inconvenient to attend they shall promptly present their excuse to the President. If the President declines to revoke their appointment, a failure to attend shall be reported to this Conference by the President.

MISSIONARY REGULATIONS.

1. Contributions for Church Extension shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Church Extension Society, that he may disburse the funds to the missionaries according to their various claims.

2. Pastors are instructed to have the Church Extension collections in the hands of the Treasurer by the end of the second quarter of the conference year.

3. The Committee on Church Extension shall ascertain what amount of funds may be regarded as available for church extension purposes the ensuing year.

4. Appropriations shall not exceed the amount which may reasonably be expected from collections and interest on legacies.

5. The Church Extension Society of this Conference shall elect seven Trustees for each mission, who shall hold all the property on our mission fields in trust of said Society, and yearly thereafter select a new Board of Trustees as long as the mission relation is sustained. But whenever the mission shall become a circuit or station, the "qualified members," at a meeting regularly called for the purpose, shall have the power to elect their own Trustees, to whom the Trustees appointed by the Church Extension Society shall surrender the church property, together with the books, papers or other valuables held by them as Trustees.

6. When any number of the members of any of our missions shall through disaffection, or from other causes, form themselves into classes, withholding themselves from the means of grace, or suffer themselves to be led by those who refuse to attend the official meetings of the church, or shall in any other way walk disorderly, on a charge being brought against such person or persons, the missionary shall see that the accused are tried according to Discipline trial of members. But should the class, of which the accused is a member, refuse or neglect to select two of their number to serve on the committee of trial, then the missionary shall fill the committee by having them selected from any other class in the mission, or from an adjoining station or circuit, as he may may think proper; and should the accused be found guilty, he, she or they shall be suspended or expelled, as the committee may direct. And should the entire mission become refractory, the missionary shall be authorized to select them according to the provision of the Discipline for trial of churches; *provided, however*, that the person convicted shall in this, and in all cases where the trial is by jury, have an appeal to the Quarterly Conference of the church from which the committee of trial is selected, at the session next ensuing, whose decision shall be final.

7. Missions shall hold Quarterly Conferences

8. When a charge is preferred against any member of the church, the missionary shall see that the accused is tried in accordance with the regulations of the Discipline for the trial of members.